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Take a Butchers at This

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graced crimat ever magazine cover under the sun — though to be fail it is no done — is Grentin's Butcher Hill, Through thee sections — a unabber dingy tale down a river, on foot through a jungle and a village — you make your way through Authorn to "Butcher Hill" It is a sun a sun and a sun a river a sun a





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Operation Wolf - or
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composition of the year OK, i

Chances are il is also the game with a cluster of gamens huddled around i When you have your list go you can easily get the impression that all the game amounts to is a cas of swivetling that 1/21 on its

enemy with machine gun lire – attocking anything that moves





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▲ Gunboots blast you in the jungle level

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onything else this year.
There is no missing the game in your local accode It's the one with the Uzi machine gun mounted an the trant of its yost, butky cabine!

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- with stacks of butters and
grenades - you have to
make every butter count it
you are to suppose to your

Chubby Diffon a round up on page 68 and not feast of these page 68 and not feast of these signatures are for the Rovers. This is a Spectrum foot at a gime that with these been retireated just before this may goes on sale check out the full review soon. Ray a follows team Melchester weet red and yellow vest wo believe with the check out the work of the work of the check out the work of the work of the check out the work of the work of the check out the work of the check out the work of the check out the check out the check out the check of the ch







that had been achieved previously in milliony shool-ems up tike Green

many people to believe that its absence to the the game unconvertible December '87 edition of

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gun with every copy" came up with a far cheaper satution. They

lovslick or mouse, you simply maye the cross-hair to the target and press tire OK - sa ils nal quite as

Level f is sel in the compound where your

arenades, throwing knives. and - should you let them hover - stratting you from

downwards # II reaches





4 Skinhead mercenary lets fly with his bazooka shoulder blade - but from shooling the grenades out rust about every other ranked as one of the best

conversions ever in terms of the consistent quality of the game across a variety of machines II definitely is the best ever about the orginal game design is the way-b simulales the strateatc -

as well as the blood and communications sel-up, the jungle, the viltage, the powder magazine, the

Each level sels you a specific task which helps a little lawards your goal of

before they take aim

Gel through this and you Level 2 where your mission

Level 3 is not for pacifists. You are ordered to go into the vitlage and resl" t should point out the at war Op Wall does have hostages civilians tieelng wounded on their

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SPORTING POWER



stretchers. Should your buttels accidentativ hit punished by losing energy Level 4 is set in the

enemy's ammunition dumps - your toks is to " take the ammunition by

If you survive this for you get your first chance to rescue some of the hostages Level 5 has in the concentration comp. Your orders are to help them

good Op Wolf player to get to the Level 6. Set in the alroort - this is where the remainder of the hostages orders are to rescue the hostages in the oirptone and get away

The gameploy of the various lévels is essenflaiv scrolls slowly from fell to right - your cross hair our both sides - to three set pignes There are soldlers in the foreground that practically lift the screen when they dosh on middle

ground, and dozens of froopers that dosh across

the screen in two and threes in the far distance Depending on what level you are on the tanks, forries, motorcyclists. choppers, or gun bools (in

when you take out the enemy vehicles. You can knock them out with persistent Uzi lire but the use the grenade louncher You can even take out two vehicles with one massive

the grenade hits them and go up in a ball of flome and grev smoke Trouble is you have to be careful not you only have live of them level. (Which is why o reviewer's policy of blasting the nurses with recommended)

be made of the quality of the graphics on the ST and Amiga versions - the nd gun boals pre











Identical to their counterparts in the

I suppose o certain degree of neor-coln-up graphics is now taken for conversions - bul what pleased me particularly details of game play that have not been torgotten



after you have played Op-Wolf a good few trmes. like shooling the scompers on to pick up attention to detail that makes for a good corn-op

this Christmas, Bets are me of the famous Bill Shankly quote about important than, life, or reputations, image and a these matters. We just review the games. So wholl is our advice should you only be buying one coin-op conversion this Christmas? Buy Op - Woll and you will get o lot of lun

UPDATE ...

Op Wolf will be out on all November, The PC version Is being goded in the US and won't be ready until next year. Expect blg things from the Amiga version - like ultra smooth scrolling, speed speech, Seaa Ramba III Is officially licensed Nintendo version will be

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R-Type is the master blaster conversion of the year. Spectrum, ST, and C64 versions received the thumbs up in last month's issue. Court, 30-32 Farringdon Lane, London,

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"Look back through the dark mirror of the seasons to the lime when the Eaglet deserted little lime when the Eaglet deserted little litt



backgrounds like Captain Pugwash characters These 'classics' usually

Involved sector in grof the lost sword of someone-or-other and lighting to the death (spitting to the death (spitting to the death spitting) and the picture? Whall this bits history lesson is leading to is land Greenlin has for some reason decided to ressured the genre – probably so that (4-bit) games players can be

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globelish, You are Afturo, son oi Pendroigon and hall-brather to the vil Margause This will chind has kirdnapped Nimue, apprentiace to the wizord Merdyn... etc., etc. This bunk could easily have been avaided by then use

of one senience, find the lost Rune stones and rescue the girl The blurb also describe

The blurb also describes Aria(a) as an 'arcagie adventure', but I'm tool his but his lieft as a stellar word in really applicable. Sassably the late is he lief to explore a multi-roomed castle, consuling a lief to right scrolling waits with doors in both the background and forearround allowing

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Artura comes the conflict

description – and guess what happens when this barriers and?

Attack is always the best lorm all delence, and in Artura's case a never-ending supply of axes a used to deal with the apposition Rots and the like can be seen off with a single swipe, but il lakes a Costlemaine (that's lour axes to you male) to get male the poposition.

When a Rune Is completed, play can then be switched Into 'Rune mode' ithis modives placing a pointer finger loon on the completed Rune and then stepping book in amazement as the Wheel of Cerriddwen' Iransports you to another plane - phewl

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I'm going to have one last try of thinking of something nice to say about Arturo erm, the cover artwork's nice.

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Hove you seen the Chewits ad? You know, the one with an angry green monsie who's running amok in a cordboard version of London? Just when he's about to sink his fongs into a lamous landmark, he suddenly spies n Chewit noos it Into his cavernous cake-hole and linds his ravenous appetitife suddenly satieted Well. Beam Software, In contunction with Gremlin Graphics, has decided to

base o game ground this whacky ad, and have managed to persuade Chawits to endorse it Rather than tackle the subject head-on and cast the player as a Chewit. thase deviaus Bear

people have decided on On alternative approach and have put the player firmly into the size 237 boots monster

The mission of mayhem begins of the sea shore. Soldlers immediately star walking from bath sides of the screen, and shoot at

the monster, knocking a chunk off his energy bar with every hit However. these weak and puny humans are no match for the monsier who can learn on them, spiattering them

into harrible smears on the road. If he's feeling peckish he can bend down, pick them up and egt them. Yum! And thi olicsome exercise adds a bit of energy to the bar Innocent bystanders in the ally nerds and prom-pushing women also run ground in terror, and

ore similarly bloffed or noshed Soon reinforcements play with. The third level the army base, has even more soldiers and vehicles, However, at the end is a big brown monster who tights with lireballs. teet and claws

already gathered. Muncher is a game with a thoroughly enloyed playing it and many a mile was in evidence as i bashed smoshed and champed my way through the enemy forces, if you are o highscore llend, the came throws down guite a challenge, and should keep lorge-scale vandals happy for some time



▲ Chasing some funch

arrive, with tanks, teeps and heliconters trans missiles and ruining the monster's tun - but he leaps and snaps at the choppers with this great choppers, and jumps on the vehicles in a display of wanton destruction. The monster can also spl! lire.

Buildings are encountered trequently and can be bashed with the monster's tall, or climbed and thumped. Rampagestyle It he's leeling particularly tough he can climb to the roofloos of a particularly high bullding and root dension at the piffling

When the end of the first level is reached, the action switches to Nintendo village (ahem, you're going to change that aren't you Gremin?), which offers more of the same gratutious violence. only with more things to

The graphics and sound are bath fine, and even though the novelty will eventually wear off, there's plenty of fun in store.

- GRAPHICS ■ SOUND
- ► VAILLE PLAYABILITY
- ► OVERALL 77%

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UPDATE . The Spectrum version looks even better than the Cammodore, with slightly taster gameplay and

more impressive sprites. Gremlin say that there may be an ST version next year, although cauldn't cantirm that as definite. Let's hope so - Improved graphics and sampled sounds mixed with the 8-bit gameplay cauld produce an incredibly good game!



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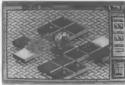
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BRENNAN. Ever since the flist computer programmer made light move around a race to find a new concept that's 'more difficult and obsorbing than chess Image Works, Bombuzal doesn't asplie to this lofty ideal but it does come across as being a combination of Chess. Play-Doh and one of those

Chinese number puzzles. Like most difficult puzzle games It's based on a very imple idea. The only objective is to move a



An aerial view of the action



wobbly monster ground a series of fried sections. exploding bombs by staving in one piece in the process - but bombs selling each other off in disappearing under your teet make this a slaht more Each scieen is made of

up a number of different types of tile, and you can betyou life that you'll be In deep frouble if you don't walch where you're stepping Normal tiles are sale enough, but the Dissolver does just that after you've stepped over it slippery and should be avoided Other hazards which whisks you to a andom square and the Spinner type which knocks you in any direction A few tiles, such as the Temple

▼ The 3D game

bomb-moving Slat, the and the man-resetting Switch can be used to you advantage, but don't depend on them showing up too offen.

The bombs alsa come in many shapes and sizes each type has a dillerent effect which almost always has to be taken into going to be completed Small bambs only destroy the square that they occupy, while medius and large bombs destroy

squares respectively. Then then are three varieties of gerlal bomb, which explode when any other same amount of damage as their 'normal counterparts, Swell bombs change size randomly and

mines defongte on confact . phewl There's not a lot of time to stop and admit e





To make matters wasse vou don't even have any pulyacy in this odd little world A couple of other an later levels and il you think that they're there to help you out then think gagin, 'Bubble' freats all bombs as mines fand you can imagine the trouble which that causes), while Saueak' is capable of doing anything that you can and does his level best to get in the way.

As Il all this wasn't difficult enough, the exasperatingly precise iovstick/mouse control the supposedly helpful 3D option only causes more publishers than it solves. So who can you blame all of this infurlation on? Well, the programming was done by The Bitmap Brothers, but they were gided and abeffed by a number of lamous screen designers Including Andrew Braybrook, Jeff Minter, Ubik and Jon Ritman, so you

take your pick from that lot This is more of a mindbender than a thumb-twister because once you've solved a level be a problem anymore It you were the type who enjoyed showing how you a fraction of a second then this is just the brain-teaser you've been walting for -It not, prepare to lose a lot

- GRAPHICS
- ➤ SOUND ▶ PLAYABILITY
- ▶ VALUE ► OVERALL

74% UPDATE . . .

All versions will play Identically, Spectrum is monachtome, the C64 and Amstrod are more

colourful. The Amiga version is identical to the ST bas slightly improved sound

BY FAIR MEAN

Na knackout game this.



MACHINES: 64, AMS, SPEC. ► SUPPLIER: SUPERIOR PRICE: TO FOLLOW ► VERSION TESTED: AMSTRAD. ► REVIEWER: TONY DILLON.

Talk about hitting the bondwagen fast. First Line! Switzerland announce its boxing game, The Champ, then Nintendo leops in with Mike Tyson's Punch Out and now Superior Software release its

soon-to-be-forgotten By Fair Means Or Foul The reason for the slightly strange title is that this isn't a normal boxing game where every man is a British fighter and everyane is clean and angella. In this game, you play dirty if you

The game is viewed side-on, so's that your boxers on screen are square on with each other. only able to mave torward and back, as in games like Barry McGulgan's Boxing thingee and Fight Night, A referee wanders about aimlessly, and to win properly, you've got to keep your eye on him as well as your apponent.

Like most people, the referee has a tendency to get bared very gulckly. This is the key to winning Fight like a gentleman when

as fast as it goes up, It drops twice as fast. These bays heal guickly!

You are very limited in the mayes that you have to choose from Basically a punch to the face, a punch (dirty maye) and a kick below the belt (another dirty maye). Needless to say, the dirty moves do the

It's with this in mind that I don't like this game very much ! found! I was far too game

Graphics are simplistic and blocky, with sparse

▲ Fight duty when the ref isn't looking he's watching, but as soon use of colour. At some

as he turns away, play He doesn't look away to: very long, though, so fiming is all important. Go tor a dirty mave, and he calls faul, losing you one of your five lives. The only other way you can lose a

life is If you are knocked be possible after about 30 continuous hits with no Interruptions As you hif your apponent. and indeed as he hits you.

a damage-meter at the battam of the screen slawly fills. The idea is Is to hit him hard enough to knack It up before he can recover. For

Especially so when the Ref gets bared. His head deliates and collapses on ble shoulder Sound is as sound does

on an Amstrad, le It sounds like it's coming from the other side of a very flaht wire mesh whilst you are wearing a greased cucumber in your right ear and a capy of the Financial Times, rolled up and smeared with Sainsbury's awn brand Lemanade in your left (Tony, what have you been up to? - Ed) in other words. sounds coming from the crowd' and an accasional bank from a punch or plaa

from a bell. By Fair Means or Foul just isn't my our at tea

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36%

▶ GRAPHICS

- ➤ SOUND
- ➤ VALUE
- ► PLAYABILITY ➤ OVERALL

UPDATE ...

The 64 and Spectrum versions should all be avollable as you read this, but let's be honest. who cores? The only difference between the Spectrum and Amstrad versions is the colour and the only difference between the 64 and Amstrad versions, is the resolution.

One not to look for, me



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You may say, and autte Alternate and Coos Look heavy blue gales that keys on the ST itself, and as appear periodically on

► MACHINES: ST, AMIGA, ISM PC, AND POSSIBLY C64. ► SUPPLIER: LOGOTRON. ► PRICE: ST/AMIGA \$19.95. PC VERSION TESTED: ATARI ST.

REVIEWER: MATT SIELBY. The first thing you have to say about Star Goose Is that it does look gargeous.
You may not think the sprite design is very imaginative, you may find the game play gets repetitive as you encounter your fifth near identical level, and you may think some of the controls verge on the ludicrous, but you have to admit that it looks very nice Star Goose is a nice Idea for a vertically scrolling shoot 'em up Well executed, but marred by a lack of visual variety and a tew silly mistakes.

rightly, that the idea of a em up doesn't sound very interesting anyway, but Star Goose does give the idea quite a nice tittle twist. Descrite it's looks the goose but a land-wagon of some and down over the means that your ours are

only ol any use in laking Installations and enemy craft you encounter when they are directly in the line of sight of your pitching

Your weaponry consists of normal foreward tacing guns - which are not the and need to be trained on some time before taking effect - and a limited supply of guided rockets. Unfortungtely, these gre-Joystick frigger, but by the

should you - like me - be in the habit of sitting back with your leet up to play the

Extra ammunition can be gained by entering tunnels of varying length through Nice spiders web

see your ship from a different angle - almost directly rear - as you scoot down a tunnel that looks like nothing so much as a spider web, picking up tokens shaped like





a hidden shrine, poison darts, pressure pads, treasure chests, trip w and mysterious mummies. all in glorious FREESCAPE Solid 3D. Set u der the burning Sun. TOTAL ECLIPSE is the BIGGEST a d GREATEST FREESCAPE experience vet!

BY MAJOR HARDPARNI

Sit up and look grap

To progress onto the next level you have to collect six brightly coloured lewels from the landscape, which problem since your ship will slow down but never stoo and by the time one

shapes and accasional deadly "lakes" may be different and there may be a few more baddies to loke on bul the overall look is identical. I have to admit a landness for the the landscape, and in whole mood can chonge Izom one colourway in another Though there are more

almost as much of a myslery The mountain

sortles in the later levels at any one time, and each is perfectly clean drown, Il rather small, there is not a single one I could describe with any degree of

having played the game of the rather uninsolved We have, then, a gome with the potential to have ionled the list of really ggod 16 bit shool 'em ups

- vour Sidewinders and your Xenons - but which bolches the job through repellion and possibly the though out game design to month. If I ever again have to reach over to the Coos Lock key, risking taking my couple of seconds, only lo see my precious rockel roar uselessly off the top of the screen, it's target loo soon. Elle under doesn't gulte cut II'

▶ GRAPHICS

► SOUND 6 ▶ VALUE

▶ PLAYABILITY ► OVERALL

UPDATE ...

The Amiga version, released exactly the same time as the ST, looks

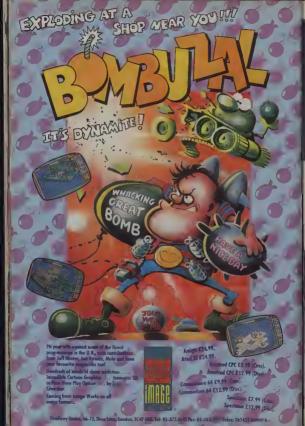
and plays nigh identically. There is also a PC versionm scheduled for November though we haven't seen that, and quite serious talk at a C64 variant appearing before the New Year, though that is also not definitive.

ship from side to side and right across and collect II vou can increase speed to It's okay Ihough, becouse o point where it is possible lo circle right up one side on liself, and so before of the tunnel and down the long you'll be back in o

position to pick il up again There are other lunnels to Quile why anyone would ever bother going onto the second level, however, is help with shield and fuel

HREELE SOLID 3D





MACNINES: SPECTRUM, E SUPPLIED MELECUPNE

DUSE.
PRICE: C64, SPEC 59.99, ST,
MIOA 519.99, PC 524.99,
VERSION TESTED: ST.
PEVIEWED: TONY DILLON

This is the third version of DD. Includes this one, are all can't deny that I am becoming just a little seen so far, and that

Inr too easy Still on with the review

Double Dragon unofficial sequel to the well Renegade, has you, and a Irrend if you so wish, in o scenario all for the love of

Infomous Mr Big. The bit to con'l understand, is why can't the two chums involved realise that the girlie is two-timing them with each other. The game itself is basically a right to left

scroller much in the mould of Renegade, Vigilante etc. with a bit of up and down scrolling, just to give you a bit of elbow room. torm of your average

their own specific way Some merely try and wade

In with punches, some attack from a distance and ground You get some all directions at once. II vou're really unlucky, a the ground every time you get up until you lose o life

punkesses who amerge from all manner of places (nearby rooftoos. doorways, from hidden ond have the basic mission

of causing as much

physical damage to you as

To do this, each trahts in

You can tight book with o variety of moves ranging and stomach kicks, to some really dirty back behind you, and I do mean anyone You can beat up That Isn'l all of the

your partner, which unfortunately you find a crowd of enemies combat. There is one more thing to tell you about. emerge into the game with packing crates, borrels, rocks You name it. They've got if Of course, It most of these Items do a lot these items II you're a real cleverdick you can they come onto screen, and knock the weapon out of their hands before they can use if

Where these weapons come in hondrest is against the really big enemies Twice the size of the ordinary enemy. These huge glants break through





DOUBLE DRAGON

Uniorturaleily at lant. In lace It's amoungly easy, You can earn an extra file in almost no line whotsever, and it's lhonks to the fact that I completed the game on my first go and technically lost no lives Speaking of the sound, which we weren't, it's hildnous All the regular thumps and bops are linere, as well as two celly unusual death noises.

the walls that fine some streets, growl menacingly, and then smash you to the

thumps and bops are there, as well as two really unusual death noises. When the women die, they make a short leek sound, when the men cap it, they make a sound not unlike the sound made by unlently Har har. Graphics oren't too good, they're not terrible, but there's something.

good. They're not lemble, but there's something about them that says "look at me. I m not very well designed or animated Aren't I comical." At least they're tast.



TIVE SU

recommend Double
Dragon, because when II
comes down to it, it is quite
fun But I can't because it's
just for too eosy to be worth
it, and for a coin-op
conversion appeal it is not
quite there

- ► GRAPHICS ► SOUND:
 - ► VALUE:
 - ► PLAYABILITY: ► OVERALL: 549

UPDATE ...

All after tarmats are being released at the same time and all teature the same style of gamepley. Multi load could may well be a problem on the smaller machines, especially with tape loading times. There are no 8-bit disk versions definitely planned, but they are being tooked at, as is an Amstrad CPC



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SECTOUM

➤ REVIEWER: JULIAN RIGNALL,

Arguably line hottest,

Secon's Attertyweer has

Sego's Atterburner has linally arrived on home computer formal courier of Activision

The unenylable lask of

of Activision
The unenvlable lask of converting this monster machine was given to Keith Beithill whose previous mostlerpieces include Ghosts in Most previous mostlerpieces include Ghosts in a more control of the produce Affection and Commando Has he been able to work magte and reproduce Affectiourner on the Spectrum? Well the answer is a resounding ves

believe II or not for the arcade virgins or omong us, Afferburner is an aeriol combat game in I which the player flies on F-14 against on entire enemy although the color of the arcade in the color of the arcade in the second in the Afferburner on the Afferburner or the Affe

Is viewed in 30 from behind the plane, rather like a traditional race game formations of enemy craft by over the horizon and attack before peeling

Ity over the horizon and and another before peeling away. Somelimes planes emerge from the sides of the screen, swooping or oss the F-44's flight part and attack from behind, requiring some nitty monpeuving to shoke off

The solo mission of death and destruction starts on an alreadt carrier. The F-14 lakes of automatically and heads for the sky, and treat than an analysis on a pro-

The plane is armed with an unlimited supply of butters, which the constantly lithroughout the mission, and a limited amount of an Indian missies. When an enemy plane comes into liting range a box appears or and a missie or and in the littre with a littre with a mission of the littre with a mission of the

d of bringing down planes that the introduction of the F.14, but otherwise they're pretty

ossault a cocainally a plane or homing missile approaches Irom behind with life sale intent of destroying the strains strains strains as the strains only one course of action, a spin This particular monoeuvre is strainly one course of action, a spin This particular monoeuvre is strainly in master but essential the proper as to complete the most the strain the strain of the stra





Specy has the right opening is ends the plane – and the ionizan – into a complete old lion, shaking off the gigressor in the process. At regular intervals a big anker plane files in and he F-14 automalically facilis in mid-als late.

There are 23 levels in all - like like or code game - he majorilly of which involve aerial combal finere, are two conyon runs, where the plane is guided down the middle of a sleep-sided valley to straite











convan have to be

If takes all - It's good to see

The main sprite is clearly

be bushes, bul you land

liying - there are far more

the plane up the runway as game is extremely

playable The plane

bul II doesn'l ruin lhe game Play is exciling and the translic action keeps

The dilliculty level is sel quile high and even though the game is started

Afterburner, Is an while Kellh Berkhill gaes la In one of the lastest and

And now that Activisian

Thunderblade shoot down

- ► GRAPHICS ► SOUND
- ► VALUE
- ▶ PLAYARII ITY ► OVERALL

UPDATE ... The 16-bit versions are being programmed by Argonaut Sattware,

producers at Stargilder t and il. Hopefully their usual high standards will be in evidence in their first arcade conversion Afterburner on the C64

& Amstrad should be as tast as the Spectrum, and have more colours



MACHINES: C64, PC SUPPLIER: EPYX BDICE: CAL CASS CO OO DISK

\$14.05 BC \$24.05 VERSION TESTED CAL > REVIEWER: TONY DILLON.

SSE, or rather, Summer Games // I alls well into the epulation of the seeminaly endless Games seiles that started all that time ago with Summer Gomes By that I mean great graphics, lerriffic sound, sigcks of playobility and houendous

The whole point behind the Games series is Ingl they give all the same old twaddle, but dress it up so you think you're getting something new. And to be honesl, they've done a fine What you get are right



about one second in every but you still seem to do it twenty Ihal's the exact pletty well moment to let go of the

hammer, you usually find graphically interesting vouiself completely event is the Pole vault mistimina II. Whilst your runner is racing Parallel bars bars Move loward the box, the



Archery My fave Waagle the joystick to build up the stress on the bow. Then line up the sight on the target, making sure to compensale for the wind shown by the windsock

As usual, the game is mulliload, and as this Isn't much of a problem as far as disk owners are concerned, cassette owners are in for a nightmare. Most events take ground three and a half minutes to load. That's a long lime considering That most of the events

don't take that long Tourie like TGSE but there as always, a fault or two. With this, the fun us

new and Interesting way

They gie: Diving, More than a little similar to the original Summer Games event except that now il boasts much tancles graphics and is a lot easier. The idea Is lo make your man jump off the springy bil of wood/fibreglass and land in a large puddle in the

Velodrome cycling This is the event in which the two cyclists get chained to rozoi thin cycles and have to lace headlong around the inside of a bawl. The graphics are done as hist person 3D view, from slightly behind the cyclist the 3D update is relatively smooth and very tast giving a good over all mpression of movement. Unfortunately, as below the event is fail too easy.

Hammer Ihrowing A good Joyslick waggler, this one with some pretty omazing graphics Woagle your sick to get the ball swinging, piess file, and then keep on woggling to get the man swinging and then piess lie lo lel go As lhere is only

pietly amazing things and fullowed brow as he rack up some pietty high scores Yet another nice and easy event

Rings Waggle the invslick in either of the two directions to send your man up and down on the old chest muscle rippers Yet another one of those events where you don't know what you're doing

movements lett and right to the end of the pole, so you get your othlete to do some can look down and see his relative easiness of the wonders whenever the pole will snop as it did to

our own Daley Thompson Once in lange of the Jump the view goes back to the old ade on bil Another remarkably easy event

Huidles. The normal bill Waggle lhe joyslick left and right to run laster and fire to lump.

to the guickness and evenis. Thal, plus the loading limes, aren'i enough to keep anyone playing post their bedtime. -----▶ GRAPHICS 8

➤ SOUND ► VALUE

▶ PLAYABILITY ► OVERALL 70%

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The PC version is preity similar to the 64 version. with only a couple of slight colour and sound differences, Also, Instead of running the 110m hurdles, you run the 400n hurdles. Strange.

Spectrum and Amstrad versions are being worked on and will be released soon

Amiga and ST versions will definitely happen and will be even more tabbo than Colifornion Games, but don't hold your breath. They won't happen unfil well into '89



MACHINES: SPECTRUM. C64, AMSTRAD, AMIGA, ATA > SUPPLIER: MARTECH ATARI ST PRICE: SPEC S8.99/514.99. C64, £9.99/£14.99, AMS £9.99/£14.99, ST/AMIGA

\$19.79.

VERSION TESTED: ATAR1ST. ► REVIEWER: MATT BIELBY.

Martech's Hellfire Attack to a scrotling shoot 'em up certain other high profile shoot 'em ups you will be In the run up to Christmas.

You play the ottot of a helicopter flying against wave after wave of enemy lighters tets, choppers and missiles The scrolttng isn't perfect, with many of these lumping towards you in a steady series of jerks rather than getting progressively larger, but since even such games os Victory Run on the PC Engine suffer from the same foult, it is

toraivable Whoever played designer on this game must have visited some pretty strange places,

however, as the tirst two leve's consist of a bizarre combination of woods. castles and Manchester-style terraced suburbio, with level three showing a rather radical Interpretation of what we would normally think at as offrios in other words none of the bookdrops reaffly, and thus for from being on "arcade smulation" of an attack chopper if occupies the strange limbo between the pure tantosy No attempt to made to suggest why we should spend ten minutes shooting up Coronation Street before being whisked immediately into

a Irozen potor seascape,

inlerance is that they have

Interpret the complex sprite movements this sort



of gome requires onto so have let the "concept

of the thma ac to pot "Heads Up" reads the egend os your 'copter rises into the air at the start of Level One, the rotors making a haish whi and the gun staht hovering a few inches above you. The guns fire outomatically the mament you are althorne stops between the levet there is no donger of running out of ammo Your the space bar on the computer gives you turbo boost with a decidedly unhondy lilck of the heel

Honestly, this would have been for better mcorporated Into the lovstick with a doubte click or something - no one words to have to take their

eves of the screen and even a 16 bit machine, and one hand off the strok And whatever its other

faults, there is no way you could fairly accuse this game of being slow Waves of confers rush towards you, and while in the early around the edges of the screen, you can't count on this technique for tono With a homing missite nearly olways right on your fear of it it connecting. This and . . Whammo! It would take some hot shot flying to the whole borroge of attackers

Helifire Attack isn't too bad a gome - I enjoyed sort of lun.





► GRAPHICS SOUND

VALUE PLAYABILITY ► OVERALL

UPDATE ...

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Heliffre Attack should be released on all tormots at ance, and though at the time of writing we haven't seen finished 8 bit versions we hearthy recammend you look before you buy (in other wards, they may not be too hot).





C64 DISK \$14 99, ST \$19 99

VERSION TESTED ST. PREVIEWER: JULIAN RIONALL

The larst scene is set in

Icence - The lasers don't W Don't les tho





shal with lasers before they

A rare game that is better to play with a mo appeal lies - you can

scrolling is surprisingly smooth. A parollax

- I► GRAPHICS
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➤ OVERALL UPDATE ...









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VERSION TESTED: ATARIST. > REVIEWER: CIARAN BRENNAN

A long time ago in a galaxy far away, a



▲ Scrolling through the grids on the S

attempts to avoid or destroy oncoming logs waves two and three a 'split wave' effect comes into operation, with the eath Stor where Lando Calrissian is taking the Millenium Falcon on a do or die mission to destroy

Lando also has to battle along a diogonolly scrolling landscape, with Imperial fighters in hot protrusions jutting from every wall. The action aets a touch hectic of this point as you have to keep o close eve both in front of

powerful realme known os produced a series of massive coin-op games -Star Wars, The Empire Strikes Back and Return Of The Jedi, Meanwhile, In fai off Wimbledon, a small, revolutionary outfit Domark, managed to Intiltrate the Atarl HQ and escape with the home computer licences for these games Over the past year Domark has successfully converted the first two - but now can it pull off its third and most difficult mission, making a good tob of Return Of the Jedi, and thus makes the universe a safer place?

The lirst section takes place in the forest of Endor. where you (as the Princess Leig - no sexism here buddles) race along a diagonally scrolling pathway on a high-lech speederbike avolding the copious forestry and keeping your eyes peeled for the Imperial Stormtroopers who walt behind the frees like evil speed cops

The scrolling is super smooth and the sprites and backdrop are good enough, but this section is



let down by a counte of making controlling the speederblke into a little too bodily hair problem tine an art for my liking. scrolls by at a fixed speed pushing forward rushes the player towards the ton of the screen, but once there the action returns to Its normal pace But for all that this is a compulsive enough task, finishing only when Princess Leia reaches the Ewoks' base camp to be greeted by an ecstatic R2D2 and C3PO

At this point your body changes dramatically. You grow by about three teet and develop a nasty that's right you're Chewbocca the Wookle Things aren't going too well for old Chewie, as he's Imperial Scout Walker and attempling to take it to a bunker to relieve a pretty desperate Han Solo

Once again the background scrolls time it's from bottom right to top left as Chewie

the Falcon for obstocles and behind for the enemy It's difficult to decide whether Jedi is a good finish to the Star Wars series or some kind of space

furkey

The presentation is up to Domark's usual high standards, with a choice of three difficulty levels, demo mode, high score table etc.

Return of the Jedi Is probably not as good a game as either of its predecessors, but it is a good conversion and an adequale game in its own right.

▶ GRAPHICS 8 SOUND 8 ▶ PLAYA8ILITY VALUE 6 OVERALL 67% 72%

SPEC

UPDATE . . . Atl versions with play

similarly to each other. Amigg will have speech and better graphics.

MACHINES SPECTRUM AMSTRAD, C64, ST, PC. ➤ SUPPLIER: DINAMIC (E.A.). ➤ PRICES: SPECIC64/AM CASS

\$8.99, DISK £12.99; \$T/PC

E17.79.

► VERSIONS TESTED: AMSTRADIST ► DEVIEWED: MATT BIELDY

First things first there is no way you can argue that Game Over Il Isn't good value. There is a lot of game here for the money. from outer space shoot 'em ups through R-type style funnels to Pastar-like beating and blasting almost as much as one of those budget compliations With winter setting in, you need

The 8 bit versions come with the first one on the flip

climbing game ever. Probably because If is, as

for as I can remember, the

Before you can begin

have to make some vital

decisions including the route you wish to climb. The route you choose greatly reflects what kind of a chance you're going to have to get to the lop, if you choose an easy course. you are allowed to lose your footing three times before you die. Choose a hard one, and you only get one chance Still, on with the decisions. The next thing you have to bend your orain over is whether to take champagne or not, or a bobble hat, or allmbing spikes, or anything Yes, it's

your ascent to the top, you

only one ever.

side. Add this to the free

poster - leaturing some of he most attractive but least relevant box artwork we've seen for a while and you've got quite an attractive little package for your Amstrad or 64

The game comes in two loads, the first of which you have to complete before you gain the access code for the second (and no. I'm not going to tell you what they are). Let's go through the levels in order, shall

After the nice little screen. we're straight into the action with a bang as we approach the enemy prison planet. Two sorts of aliens approach – those that tire back at you and those that swirl around the o so llaw so - neesos number of asteroids

Unfortunately, your ship will insist on drifting back to every opportunity leaving your very

****** A Game Over II - we wish it was

vulnerable to incomings from the left - and shouts of "That came nowhere near mel" could be heard your ship was more manoeuvrable, everything a little less jerky and the collision detection less ropey, Il would be a very playable little It's down the lunnels and into the planet next for a -

MACNINES: CAL ST "What shall we put in our AMIGA. PO

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kitted up. It's onto the lov slopes you go. Before you get there you've got to walk along

the gentle slopes. This is done by, and don't laugh. moving left/right on the loystick, occasionally

testing the ground by So, you've got to your tirst pressing down and bit of vertical rock. umping over cracks by What now? You can allmb pushing up. This is how the whole game is played Rather than move the climber as a whole, you have to move individual



Nice title screen - shame about the game



thankluily short - three minutes of the worst R-Type
Clone ever seen. This hardly bears writing about, except to say that on the Amstrad the snakes die very easily and you should be abte to get through wilhout losma a Ille, while worst collision detection. ▼ Dage those Ginger Sna

top of the screent The last section of this

load has you slep out of your space ship and mount Armed with a 'photonic" blade which looks the a Amstrad, you slash your

way through a swomply of atont Iroas and pterodactyll ilders. Come out the other side and it's time for a cup of teo and a sttcky bun.

Woe belide you if you dare Throughout Load Two you play a set nack you play a jet pack

armed with a variety of weapons as the phases an on There are six slages, the your let nack to keen above the action as much as poss while you toll a tame ball shaped creature Into hosttle members of the same species. As you enter the atten base there are a variety of bad auvs to cope with, including men on living, billing Space

monstrosities which materialise in front of you. By now you should have picked up a gun os you make four way through the comma into a wooded area where the key to a

blue door turks. There are ptenty of extra lives hidden around here, so you can gome Through the door lurks a monster titled take a section where you must use a heltcopter to avoid faiting rock and teaning lava (decent of the offens

maze of tunnets, eventuatly

where you get to tree your

The whole thing is laughably bad on the ST no wonder they haven't bothered with an Amiga version - but the 8 bit package is generous, and while it won't set the world attaht, could be a wise purchase Though C64 owners are - stril - spotted for choice, there is too little ground on the Amstrad Inc. this to be ranored

None of the shoot 'emup styles that make up the enough to stand up on their own, but together they make for a quite

appealing package AMSTRAD

- ▶ GRAPHICS ■ SOUND
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► OVERALL 74% 21% UPDATE ...

All the versions mentioned at the top of the page are released simultaneously, but no Amiga is going to be available. Some surprise

periect position Fmal Assault tsn't rubbish. In fact tt's quite lun. It's nice to know that there is still some originality left to the market The only

voursell up. This is done by pushing up to hammer the spikes in, pulling down to and then pushing up to

move the citmber and get hm to pul in the next spike. Finally you reach the

real chattenge, the One of your climber's

time, and you have to down to cycle through the vortous ways he can position It Once happy that he's got it in place, press fire to move the next bit untit you've got both



problem ts, It's lar too easy. On my Ilist go I played of Intermediate level and finished It without any problems. With that problem in mind I have to give Final Assault the thumbs down. I► GRAPHICS I► SOUND

▶ PLAYABILITY 5

► VAIUE ➤ OVERALL 57%

UPDATE ...

The ST version of Final Assoult has Identical graphics to the Amiga. though, as is the case with nearly all ST games, doesn't have nearly os good sound. The PC version, funnily enough also boosts the same well-detailed visuals, with some attractive sound to boot

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II I was to walk up to you (n the street and tell you that a Spectrum was capable of an almost arcade quality game with huge, colourful graphics and Immense playability, what why I'm not going to tell you in the street, I'm going Spectrum is capable of an arcade quality game. You still don't believe me? Then

least your eyes on Sayage. Savage is, Il you didn't already know. The hottest game from Telecomsoft yel, who seem to be having o bill of a ball al the momenl, what with Carrier screenshols con't even begin to convey the wonderfulness of this game it's the only game monitor worthwhile for the Spectrum, Il's amazing! Sayoge Is a 6'4' bland haired macha Daoish

whose girlfriend has been kidnapped. His job is to rescue her, through lire and ice, come hell or high water, Savage's woman has been woman napped by some victous liend (probably) and so, as overs do, he's sel off lo rescue her through three levels of glorious

non-clashing, brilliant, 100% pure greade action. The lirst features our hero.







macho glory, and what a stud he is He even walks muscly. He make Eugene Lacey looks like Arnold swodgernagger, um Sylvester Stallone, He has la run from left to right, hurling magic axes from supply at the attacking



Illes, spiders, and Ad Managers. Yes, even in a game as wonderful as this, our own Garry Williams makes an entrance as a huge, pol-bellled, lage swilling ad-selling demon hurling lightning bolls, which is only slightly different to what he

normally does. He bounces around hurling abuse. The graphics are huge, well animated, colourful. non-clashing and simply amazing Delinliely a must

Pass that lot and it's onto The second level, which is a 3D journ. Space Harrier-like, through a



▲ Things are a bit too quiet

1988. The 16 bit version liked the digitised roar of our bero who shouls "Savage" every so often on the Amiga version

Next It's onto the third and final level. The airl is hidden somewhere in o Savage to negotiale, so he sends his pet bird in For budgle or a canary For

can get squashed under a talling pole, he can get impoled on spikes, he can merely get his head bitten off and fall to the floor all portrayed in similarly gory

Savage is definitely one at the best groade games vet seen on the Spectrum. If worth your while having a

Savage could be the game that puts development house Probe Congratulations are due



- ► GRAPHICS ► SOUND
- ► PLAYABILITY ► VALUE

UPDATE . . .

The Amstrod version looks and feels pretty similar to the Spectrum version, the only main difference being that there's considerably more blood when you die on the third level. The C64 version. funnily enough, is also

looking prefty similar to the Spectrum version. How it plays remains to be seen. ST and Amiga you have to do on this level is fly the eagle ground the maze until it finds the girl. Simple: The only difficulty is versions will be available that the enemy normally have some sort of say in it, soon, boasting even better graphics, and an amazing soundtrack on the lotter. Gameplay will be the same - but is three



graphics, the eagle's

death. Yes there is more





nightmare world of monoliths and totem pales rudely when they get close. As usual last movement works really well Funnily enough, the programmer has quite

cleverly managed to get brown as one of the colours brown as a base colour

Savage - It pushes the Spectrum even lurther than pushed right at the end of



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VERSION TESTED: 64.

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know II, I know III... No, II's gane You're me mote, you are Eeeeeh!". The unmistakable tones of your own Emilyn Hughes, sportsman, camedian, poortsman, camedian, pool I round rectum path has been given his own game. Oh dear.

Take a look around lhese loo page and match the screen shots to the next statement. Emlyn Hughes International Societis the best lever 64 around lootball, even better than the lab Microsoccer. The graphits are termible, you may say No they're not. I have not set to the control of the screen should be set to t

than wonderful, Irkaw, but the antinated graphics are unbelievable. The movement is just so smooth and fluid, it has to be seen to be believed. Though blocky, the graphics are amazingly clear, and at no time is there any doubt as to what a player is doing or in which direction he's going

The best way I can describe Fils's to say that Audiogenic has taken the style of graphots from International Soccer made them much botter, made them much botter, made them much botter, made them much better, tramis of animation and new moves, blended in the league and oup bits from Matchday 2 put in a spot of Tracksulf Manager options free and there, and the state of the state of

about this game is its
amazing ease of use,
between matches, you are
presented with a large
blank 'workspace' and a
blank he top of the screen,

This is where all the work is done as far as setting up matches and basic game

aptions is concerned.
Move a pointer to the bar, and four put flown menu filles appear Move the polities over one of the titles and press time the menu then appears, and then to the chartes of the totar is a chabe at all least 15 aptions. That's aver 60 options in total, allowing you to ohange team cames, players names and staffstor is peed, affocking outlifets. Near of could the consideration of the country of the country

allow you to start a league or a cup tournament between eight teams, any ar atta which can be under human control On top at that you can choose to just save out a team or two, or save aut all the game aptions, including team colours, our mont oup league status. In short, every way to the control to you can be agreed to the control of the control out to the control out to

price all the decision making, and your learn and the problem, and your learn at a supposition, and your learn at a supposition, there is where the game gets special As I've already stated, the graphics are a maxing large and beautifully animated the diving headers are territic, and the goalite-per diving and catching the ball is enough to have you an the enough to have you and the

The sound is pretly ace, loa. A quirel crowd rumble goes on conflueusty in the background, building every time something important happens, fixe you take a shot at goal and miss. Persons with klaxons honk out the familiar honk honk-honk-hank hank etc", as well as realistra

ball-bouncy sounds and an interesting chank when the batt hils the crassbar. Now I get to the best bit of

UCHES



oit the gameplay. On the options screen you can choose how advanced you want to play the game and the tales tevels, though hold to get into at litet oue well worth getting the hand of At the year basic level. the game plays much olong the same way as International Soccer As you plogless, the game becomes fai more realistic

You can chaose how many directions you are able to ktck in at the start One way means that you shoot in the direction you're locing. Three way means that if you hold down line and then push left or right, you can shoot 45 to the left or right of the direction you're facing Five way gives you the choice of 70 and 20 shots in either direction. On top of of shot, and three beights you can shoot at - ground normal and tob.

As normal, the man currently under control is a different colour to the rest of the feom, and the chooses the best one for you This doesn't mean that off the other players are ormiessly mitting about. topless however Attthe players are given a little bit at roffing post them, they'll do a sliding tackle for it. It the ball is goting over, they'll jump to it etc. All this teads to a pletty exciting game

the game, ditterent choloctels will do ditterent things. The goalkeeper, for bobbing, watching the of the appropriate mament. Should the ball go over the crossbar, his oims will diop to his side

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character has gone into

and he'ff furn and store stupidly at the hall as the softs over his heard. If he saves the ball, then he does the usual three step run up ond boots the ball into the other holl of the pitch. Should you score vous little man suns away from the goal, aims in the all, and then acknowledges the roar of the clowd with a list in the

What other tonovations has Audipaenic come up with? For a start, the game ts two player. That's nothing you might as well whinge, but two player on the same team against the computer? That's a new one on me

Two ptayer one team is a great taugh, especially if you are playing with an experienced and talented each other, messing it up. match When two players on the same feath are on screen, one is decked out whilst the other other has gone for the skin colour ton or simply has tust gone

Unfortunately, this game came too late to be included in the league of football games in this month's lootball leature the points I would have aworded if are: Graphics Value 9, Fun 9, Total- 46 A cleoi winner

Forget the sweaters Forget the squeaky votce and cuddly personally

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Lo into the air with a well named punt



A Looks o bit like an open goal to me

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UPDATE ... An Amiga version is

tallawing hat on the heels at the ST, and although it won't play differently, the should be a little crisper.

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- VERSION TESTED: ST

P REVIEWER, TONY DILLON Turbo Cup is the result of a large sponsorship deal on behalt at Lariciels. In case voil didn't know in the Andros Turbo Cup race In

France one of the biggest calabrities is the one and judging by the

documentation thave on him, has done more races and rallies than you've had hot dinners As I said this game is based around the Andros Turbo Cup, a grueiling jount around some of France's toughest fracks, Including the Iwisty and turny (with a bit of straight) Paul Ricard track

You can choose which of four trocks you wish to compete For a beginner you want to look for a track some gentle bends, to make the race o little easier Unfortunately

that kind of trock easy going, and go just that bit

laster. On the more complex tracks, the cars go slower, which makes It a little easier for you to get position, but not to stay on

The ATC is set over a weekend's racing. On the Saturday, each car has to do a soio lap to establish an average lap time and you can race, you get to do vour solo attempt. You start, looking down on your remote control Porsche from behind and above and this is here you stay, a bit like Out Run, but with o much higher viewpoint it's neutral sounded like a bus at this point that you realise Still, rev up the engine, walt ust how good the graphics for the light to turn green are The Poische is and auch her into first. Ho amazingly well delined,

complete with recognisoble interior and Loricials logo on the door. The road is in much the same mould as Out Run. with the two tone grey stripes that scroll toward

the screen giving the

Impression of movement Not that they are necessary. The markings on the rood, coupled with the smooth updale at the massive edge of the road buildings, frees etc.) and do all that is needed to game That plus the computer cars and the widening and norrowing of the track and ooch.

The sound is good and atmospheric 1 didn't know that a Parsche 944 turba in and oush her Into first. How do you push her Into Ilist? you you get a chaice of five different ways to chonge gear. You can chonge if the ordinary way











(hold down fire and push up or down to change up or down), you can slam it Into automotic or you can use the keys one to five to change to gent one to two All pretty bosic. Then you get two Choices never seen before You can use a second joystick to change UP of down, or you can hold down fire to go into clutch, and move the Joystick In the same way as a real ager strck to move though a little awkward at

So, you're off and racina control Untertunately every game has a tault and with this it's the simple fact that the programmers on the inerlig, which make the car very hard to control. Plus the fact that

round bends at high speed.

Once vou've done vou practice, you get yourselt positioned amonast the 20 other cards in the race and wall for the race to start The race itself is the same as the Dractice other than that there are more cars and It's a bit longer. What you're looking for is the best race time possible, as well as the best positioning at the end of it all. The computer cors make it a little difficult, however. Each has been given a limited amount of artificial intelligence, Basically they'll get out of your way so that they don't plough Inlo you, but then they'll cut you up so that you can't one of a three things happens. You bump Into them and slow down a little: you're sent into a recoverable spin out, or you're sent tilpping ond spinning and land on your

your speed before the crash What not on my nerves at this point was the way that the computer car was unharmed, and

carried on going Loriclels hope to market the softwore with a limited edition offer A free dre cast Sponsored Porsche (check out our competition for more details), complete wheel and gear stick opening doors, boot and bonnet and reclining

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The Amiga version is planned far release at the same time and boasts the same high definition graphics and even toster

and smoother gameplay. C64. Amstrad and Spectrum versions are planned far rejease at a later date. Obviously the graphics wan't be hait as hat, but the gameplay pramises to be just as





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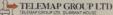
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Supersports bills itself as 'The Atternative Olympics', Atternative Yes you could say that Just get to look at what's on ofter

First up is the Crack Shot event You have a gunstight, a six-shot ritle, and an ordinary, everyday, city alley You

everyday, city alley You go'n points for blasting oway of the bounding tincans and pop-up largets had oppear from drains, and the round targets that mysteriously thost across the alley. Now and again a friendly they act with pop

up somwhere and sit on a wall or btn. Don't shoot at these, or you lose tive

This event an't too hard once you get the hang of postinoning your gunsight in the poth of the target and then blosting away. The only things that make it difficult are that a tilter every six shots you have to reload which is a time waster, and you only get

waste, and you only ger one and a half mhufes to score as much as possible After each event, you are shown a league table, showing who's in the lead, and told if anyone has broken any records

From the elegance of a dirty alley, to the murky depths of an Olympio size bide! The Dare Devil Dive, The ideo behind this little barrel of toughs is that you allimb a todder (anything from 48 feet to 400 feet and from 40 feet to 400 feet and

then attempt to jump from it, perform as mony titps and tumbles in the oir as possible, and then lond in a kiddles' inflatable

padditing pool.
The slate smash is a lough and a hot! Two sumo wresters stand either side of your karate champ and hotd up pieces of slate. You have to punch or kick in the appropriate

now and then and his mouth moving amazingly out of synch. Not as good as *Bobby Yazz* Grophics are nice and

Grophics are nice and colourful, as seems to be the norm with Amstrad games these days. The sound is jingly, but becomes grafting very quickly.



Create beat on up eve

direction and try to break as many slates in the 60 seconds Cross bow has you at the

end of a field, with a torget of the other side. Woggle your postick to build up pressure, then press the. Atm the bow using the tittle sight provided, taking care to compensate for the wind and distance and

You don'thave a fime ilmit, and you don'thave a specified number affives. Not much of a challenge, really. It's the

underwater assault course, Swim the length of the black lagoon ovotating clams, jettyrish and mines and collecting collis, occasionally swimming to the surface to get a bit of air. Amazingh tedjous, this

All this is overseen by your zarry commentator, Gilbert, whose tace remains perpetually in the corner of the screen, a little speech bubble appearing

Although there is technically nothing wrong with Supersports, I still don't think I can heartily recommend 8.1 [just didn't have much in the way of fun playing it. And when I comes down to it, it's the

► GRAPHICS

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► PLAYABILITY

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UPDATE . . .

The Spectrum and C64 vesions are all being released at the same time, so all three should be in the shops as you read this. The Spectrum version has all the same graphics as the Amstrad, although colour isn't used so laytshiv.

The 64 version has much the same in the way of graphics and teel as the Amstrad version.

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MACHINES: C64. SUPPLIER: MICROPROSE. PRICE: \$14,95 CASS, \$19,99

IN DEVIEWED, TONY DILL ON Red Storm Rising Is the latest in a long, long line of wonderluily realistic and amazinaly involved Microprose, and pretty

darn good it is too. As you might have aiready gussed. I think lhat Red Storm Rising Is territion It's got everything a good simulation needs, good graphics, neat game layout both in terms of the the accessibility side of things, It's got nerve shredding tension and a depth of play that my weekend's superficial playing borely managed to scratch. And it s by Sid Meler, well known for his contributions on other Microprose products such as Stealth Fighter, Gunship, Silent Service (another sub sim), and, so I've been told, the new superlast £19

ways to get maximum enjoyment from the product; you can bung on the key overlay, load the game, put it on easy and learn the game itself, or manual and learn the name slowly and carefully Now I don't know about you, but I'm all one to plunge right in at the deep and but that's the kind of guy I am The monual, now that I've got round to It, is great and has 108 pages of Information, tull of statistics weapons, areas around the globe, full



battle analysis complete step-by-step breakdown at the RSR controls and the capabilities of your sub. plus a large section completely devoted to battle tactics, which came In handy quite a lew times during my underwater escapades

The first thing you should do when looding up is watch the Intro sequence. What you gel, after a lew advertisements for other Microprose sims, is o of the game, complete with animaled films. I especially liked the bit when the Whitehouse Is handed over to the commies Stripes coming down and

As with all the Microprose products, you are led with an almost overwhelming number of skill levels and live subs to choose from, as well as nine different battle situations, ronging from The Duel, which is an

underwater dogfight with a Russian sub, to a Carrier Task Force, which has you on all out assault on an alreroft carrier Plus two ancient sub that gives out more noise than Gary

Select what you're going to do, press all the right buttons, slap on the overlay (almost every key away you go. Probobly the the two most useful keys when you start out are the



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and so on The key is stealth. Go low and slow, sneak up on them, launch a guick but deadly attack. then get out of sight again. That's the secret. Attocking is slow

however. You have to remember that some of these weapons travel through the water and as they are guided, they are designed to double back should the enemy take evasive action. The flight of

the key to the game.

no there isn't oh look

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There's a boot, boom, oh

displayed as a trall on the mop, so you can look back and see just how hard that particular enemy was to sink To liven things up thankfully, you get short animated scenes showing the launching of the weapons, plus when/it they hrt, you get to watch the death of your opponent

Should you ever get bored with the many missrons that are provided at the start, and I can't see that happenma yen pulckly, you can always try out the full Red Storm Rising scenario, as based on the book itself. Ped Starm Pisina Is ace

tab, brill, wicked and totally owesome Well up to the Microprose standard of quality sims, I can't wall for the next one

- GRAPHICS ➤ SOUND PLAYABILITY
- VALUE OVERA11 93%

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UPDATE At present there are no

ather versions avaitable. though Spectrum Amstrad, Amiga, ST and PC version 'may become available over the next 12 months"

it's very easy to use. So, you're engaging the sonar contact What do you do? Well, first you have to identify what's out there This can be done two ways. If it's a ship, then you can just surface and check It out with the periscope. If it's oul of visual range, or is an enemy sub, you have to go through the many screens concerned with 'sonar recognition'. The basic os I can understand, is that sonor 'signature'. Your sub's on-boord computer onything you might be matching the signature gaomst slangtures held on computer that you identify the enemy Once you know what it is, you then know weapons wise, and also what its copabilities are, as well as what weapon to





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So you think you grew up in a tough neighbourhood, huh? Well make my breakfast, punk! East LA is no easy lay - the homeboys and their floozies, they all carry Uzis. So when it comes to school, ya gotta stay ood . . (Enough of this

re reple - Edy
What I m trying to say is
that this month we have two
movies set in the sort of area
where you wear a bullet
proof vest to go shopping.
The gangs rule the streets,
dealing drugs, elliminating
their enemies, displaying
their Colors (18) Not the
sort of best for an average
cop. but then assun, Bob

Hodges isn't an ordinary cop grap Hodges may be no angel but he steps in where even the toolsh fear to tread understands the language of the ghetto, which has bedged mu build a ord of trast with the streetwise kids. Not so Danny McGavan, his new older than the gang members themselves, and his idea of diplomacy is a gun in the back or a mightistick to the

skull Warfare escalates as machine gun fire sprays from the side of a passing car, shattering the silence of the streets. When the smoke has cleared, the screeching of tyres faded into the distance, yet another corpse leaks blood onto the adewalk It's a uingle out there but the police CRASH teams are fighting back. wearing their 'colours' too Will Hodges softly-softly approach to McGavin's gung-ho aggression win the

and the Colors appeared in the States it caused an uproar because people said it glamorsed the gangs I can't see Colors as a recruting film for street fighting - if the guns don't get you, the drops will But I'm writing from the peace and quiet of England There really are are vol American cities surrendered to the leenagers, and Colors paints a terrifying portait of footal are rifying portait of footal are rifying portait of footal are rifying portait of footal services.

Robert Duvall is excellent as the sane and sober Hodges while Sean Penn convinces as the hot-headed McGavin - but then again, he's had a bit of practice. Dennis Hopper directs for maximum



Freeze, movie-goer! You have the right to remain silent as Ward R Street prowls the latest film previews in the C+VG patrol car.



a Sean Fann (right) so Colors, atmosphere, and though the film may not be quite the deep statement it wishes to be, it is exciting and frightening Watch this one then set paranoid as you

Who'd he an Best LA Cogo?

Worse — who'd try to reach
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For some crazy, crusading
reason Jatme Exclainte has
given up a perfectly good job
in computers because he
wants to train the urban
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the mysteries of advanced
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You may think I'm pretty wake too, advantage out to be Wierd going on a Ta-Seventh.

More naughty children in Stand And Delive

go see a film about black belt sums but Escalante is probably this month's most charramatic hero — so when he says Sidnel and Deltiere (15) you'd better give him the goods Paced with a group of surfy students who can hardly add two to two, Escalante uses every technique from karate chops to playing with toys to playing with toys to persuade he class that they

approach to maths even the toughest of the tough eventually give in, putting in hours of overtime to take a major exam. But their success is so overwhelming that the education authorities won't believe they didn't cheat. So, having successfully hattled against a society which told them they would never achteve anything, Escalante's class now has to fight to hold on to its victory. All this would be a nice.

beart-warning little tale but for one thing. "It's all true There is a teacher called Jaime Eocalante and be really has worked," mathematical mancles. Lake 1 Colors the atmosphere of the Street and clissrooms is unbelievably vivid, with great performances from all the audients But beat of all \$40 colors and the audients of the persuadint them that they

can do the impossible
1k's good to see a film
which says that everybody
can achieve things if they
only have the confidence
and work hard Compare
Stand and Debuve with Nico
(18), a formulau thriller
postponed from last month,
in which the 'hero'
overcomes his

underprivileged background by becoming a violently unorthodox cop If it comes to a toss up between street warfare or classroom caim, I'm on the side of Escalante and Hodges rather than Nico and McGavin.

Another delayed release is

The Sewenth Sign (15), a not to born't hour of lick in the Omen mould. That great warehouse in the sky has run out of souls so the apocalypse is now. Despite some effects work, most of the gore is kept hidden. Not so with The Hidden (18). Here the horror drips, squelches and bleed in explicit control of the control of t

If East LA cops have problems, the ones faced by Tom Beck are literally out of this world. Investigating the case of a staid businessman who suddenly goes mad and embarks on a killing spree, Beck is given a new assistant, a young FBI man

named Gallagher. Is there something strange about the self-assured rooke? Beek doesn't have time to wonder because now another man has gone boo, springing up from his intersiev care hospital bed to live for kicks! Something something of the book of another. See, I said It was

yucky!
The idea of an alien
parasite using its human
hosts as disposable shells
while it lives for fast cars
and rock 'n' roll is a great one
and the first half of the film
is enomous fun. But
creativity talks off in the last
half hour and the movie
coasts in to its climax rather

than racing at full speed. Some times it seems like America — or more speedifically Bast LA — is the only place where anything happers. Then all of a sudden you're supping Guinness in a small irish seaside town and everything erupts around its times tike this you call for Traftin (18) at all 18 or Traftin.

Taffin is the local strong arm man He collects debts, arm man He collects debts, learn on people, that for in of hang — and you know he's not jink a common thing — and you know he's not jink a common thing because he's played by brooding hunk and one time Bond contender Perce Brossan. But when by business moves into town, with plans to develop the peture-grue quelffs into an industry development, even Taffin has his hands full.

With its pretty scenery and a liberal touch of the blarney, bejahers, Taffin is Tairly entertaining. But somehow it rin't tight enough to keep you on the edge of your seat and its underlying debute about the use and abuse of violence is

If you want a film which really fires try Bird (15) the story of the great pazz saxophonist, Charlie Parker, Okay — so this won't please you Status Quo fans but if ou're into more mellow





music this is one dazzling solo from first to last At around two and three quarter hours, Bird is just a couple of minutes longer

quarter nours, Bird Bjust a couple of minutes longer than Last Temptation of Christ, which gives you some idea of how jazz fains worship Parker – and worship Parker – and worship to appear blasphemous, this story is a lot more interesting and better made than that

■ Hands up or we shoot



Brasnan in Tatha.
 A Thumbs down for Swi
Channels



Konsas is full of corn.

▲ John and Yako – in Imagine

pseudo-theological mes Told with all the freestyle of a pazz Improvisation, dadio, Bird dirtisk from powerty to fame, bast tles with drug addiction and depression, attempts suicide and spends time in mental institutions, told via a series of flashback and memoracs. How good is this film? Well, I went in never having heard "Bird" play and came out tooking for a late night.

aboum. Get hip because the 'Bird' really is the word I hetet mention while we're on matters musical another film, which describes the matter of decimentary compiled from over 200 hours of film from other 200 hours of film from other than the state of even what happers when a perfectly ordinary Liverpool seven what happers when a perfectly ordinary Liverpool beyond most person services.

imagination,
Talking of superstars,
Suitching Chainele [PG)
has three of them but still
comes out as a weak comedy
about satellite TV news
Quite how Christopher
Reevve. Burn Reynolds and
one of the most intelligent
actresses in Hollywood,
Kathleen Turner, got mixed
up in this mish mash is

difficult to understand
Turner is the ace reporter
about to quit to marry apolt
young playby Reeve while
her boss and ex-husband,
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Pans of old may be dealty
Several other incarnations,
but Switching Channels
doesn't fail because the plot
to screally — I just fails to do
it with the sayle of previous
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Slightly more interesting is Kanasa (16), the story of a college kid, played by college kid, played by Andrew Mr. Carthy, who meets up with drifter Matt Dallon and ends up on the Dallon and ends up on the McCarthy falls in love and tries to avoid the psychotic Dallon is entertaining enough but the fall falls to capture the bleakness of model American in the way model American in the year. Promised Land did Despite Rood performances, in the

end Kansas is full of corn

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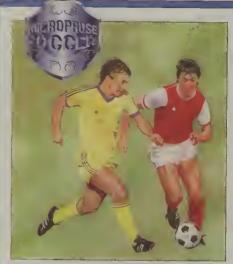
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Footballs have been kicked around computer screens for just about as long as the gaming habit has existed, 1988 saw more releases than ever before - Tony Dillon asks what is and what is not good computer football

best, the worst, the one with





European Five-A-Side - budg

Incredible 4 game selection Admittedly II was nothing Since then, many have

tried to recreate the feelings C+VG have tried to do to comprehensive guide to the

including the ones we didn't get to mention. So, here one, which funnily enough is

Arcade Football

popular, though games like Football Manager at Hi rank

high up in the list of best the dawn of programming World Cup I and II, which game history as one of the worst games ever, ranking

Space Race Itself



LD GAME, ECIL?



only available on cartridge (now released on tape and

www.while ago, changed

fnend, Mr Gary 'Moose'

the high level that

goalkeeper that could dive and a chance to play through win the FA Cun, as well as Deflection System What brought into account

the Spectrum anyway it

you tried to do a shding dead players.

games. Nintendo's is called and has several levels of slightly sluggish joycard Sega's World Soccer is one

of lost work time -











and terrible (snigger), and not (cough, splurt) at all So, what else happened lootball gaming? Matchday

energy quite quickly. What

Gary Williams, the Ads Manager Unlike him. though, the game is only available on the Sega

Up until recently games which works really well but





FUNNY OLD GAME. INNIT CECIL?

trend is emerging the overhead viewpoint. Games like European

5-a-Stde and Supercup Fnotball let you view the action from above, which gives a much more accurate look at the action, with the size of the hall increasing and decreasing to denote boots skyward. Easily the best, however, is the new

Microprose/Sensible Software It's smooth, fast very playable and extremely polished and scored 95% in the last some It's menu system is incredible, and the game comes a very, very close second to World Soccer

- it's easily the greatest football game available for home computers

But these are mere highlights of all the arcade football games around at the moment. Check out the C+VG report Now, let's move onto the next section which by some staggering coincidence happens to he

accountant of your chosen team and have to make alf the right decisions with the ultimate aim of taking your team to the top of their league and winning the FA Cup/World Cup/Nations Cun/whatever Of all the ones I've seen, rather than mention games that stand out. I'm going to talk ahout



Managerial Football

Moving completely away from games that require fast reactions and an eve of an eagle, and onto the slower. more thoughtful games that are around the managerial Typically, in a manasterial game you take the role of

First is Kevin Toms' company, Addictive, They released the first successful managerial game way back in, ob, well it was a while ago It was then hailed as the best football game ever (not much of claim; check out the opposition at the time1) and was pretty simplistic. Written in 100% basic, it

consisted of a series of screens with a choice on some of them After cycling through them, you get a few just played, with matchstick men and beeny sound effects Though not much by today's standards, it still has to get a mention for heing the original I wish I could say the same for it's successor, FM2. The only difference between them were screen redesign and better graphics on the game highlights. A shame really, considering what could have

One company that I have to mention are D+H games, a company almost solely devoted to managerial games, especially football ones. Though none of their

games require huge amounts of thought, feature no graphics, have a tendency to be slow and are generally small, there is still an edge uf the seat feeling when playing a match as minute by minute it updates the score Probably their most famous

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two player Soner League Dweetor excent that it boasts action, and International Manager, which is Football Director set in the tonsy

The last company I have to ever managerial game Goliath Games Beaded by Doug Mathews, of ex-Scanatron fame. Truck Suit Manager was the company's first release, and everyone and featured all the teams in the World Cunand all the players in all the teams (around 700 m all) as

well as accurate statistics on all of them, a revolutionary boasts amazingly s-l o-w match commentary system gameplay, unresponsive

that gives your a continuous flow of lext telling you what's happening on the turf All this would normally cost speed, but in this case it doesn't. The speed of the game is fully adjustable via the joystick from the full 45.

minutes a half, right down to eight seconds a half. The Spectrum version is a bit. slower than the Commodore version, and hossis a compaction. All the data inst. the end of it. The funny thing is there were two

spelling mistakes "Substitute" and the other one escapes me for the altogether, so if those letters were included, there would

he no room left at all I can't talk about managerial games, though, weest, Sorrer Boss, Sorrer Box is not a very good game.

controls and is some easy Needless to say, n's sull riding high in the budget software charts. Makes you hink, doesn't it?

But of course there are many others This is just the cream of the crop and we simply haven't the space to re review all the old games. there are so many of them We came on with over 305 Plus there are lots of nools prediction things and record filer, and lots of other serious gimmieks that can't

We leave you now with the league tables. We've done two because it just isn't. fair to class arcade games alongside strategy games If you ve written a

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the new catacombs room nies with the originals and when drawn, they enable you to enter do so. These tiles are marked

On exiting the cutucombs dungeon proper, but not in the original place you left! You have to add together all the catacomb cards you have collected, roll a 10 sided die

one ten sided die, 12 new room set are some new room cards. the original same and replace them with the new ones. otherwise the game becomes unhalanced. I would agree with quite a few times. I found it quate lethal to say the least. The new room counters include

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keens it until it takes effect. At that time only can the player on your right read out what is on you The effects range from almost instant death to the

puite well, and will extend the interest of the same for quite a long time . . if you live that instant death and "roll a certain number or your dead" options out me off a little. This is because too much rides on

It is quite nossible to warr this game and die almost

immediately on a regular basis I must also admit that when I opened the box. I found the for the price asked. I would want more for my hard earned cash than just five sheets of full and two thin rulebooks

changing some of the new

TACOME

played in a quick, fast and decisive manner. Really and truly a board game - it can be played by up to four players and there are also rules for solo play if is to enter Dragonfire castle, defeat any monsters or troos that get in your way and eventually end up in the Dragon's lair. Here you have possible without waking the

have 26 turns to achieve all of

game before, I'll give you a Scandanavian namers to be

it is easy to play and introduce new gamers to the basic However, for anyone other than this, the original game would soon become dull as Dungeonquest, which was reviewed in September's C+VG. This gave the game more playability, by introducing twelve new while, the novelty of this begins released Catacombs, which expands the game even further



there is not enough material to A Colocombs - not one of GM's greatest

Once in the catacombs you playing piece from the board and place it on your character turn you must draw a

sheet. At the start of your next effects. This could be anything worn or ignored. If you find from fighting a horde of rats to one of these magic artifacts,

about and eventually kills you. unless you can shake him off,

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Just as I thought Infocom had won the Great Parser Debate, here comes Day Teasure to throw a spanner in the workel. After playing his first Infocom game, Leather Goddesses, he was very disappointed. "1 didn't much enjoy the same scenario anyway, and I didn't think much of the parser. either. Compared to Magnetic Scrolls' near-perfect parser. I would say it comes a definite second," says David. adding: "Hate me for this you may, but maybe other Infocom games (I'm ordering some) may bring me round to your way of thinking " My way of thinking? Have I ever said what that is? Me. I just stand in the middle and stir things

Some adventures become classics, and almost every classic adventure has its classic problems! Huch Hiker's Guide has its Babel Fish and Screening Door problems Hulk its ants, and The Pawn its Boulder and Dragon problem But more recently, Beyond Zork has come up with a problem so difficult, that people who have finished the game have failed to crack it! Coppins, (yes, he still lends his expert's band to answer the Helpline mail!) who, lexend has it, solves an Infocom adventure each day before breakfast, and two Magnetic Scrolls adventures by lunchtime, telephoned me the other day, desperate to know how to get the jewel from the

idol! At last, thanks to Stephan

Jean Solar and his friends in

Germany, I can reveal all!

St. Julians, Malta, are playing month! Robert Sanders of Tow desperate for the CODEX where are the stones they need to get the keys, and how can they get them?

Law, wants to know where to find the satin turban in Acheion, and how to get to the pirate's budgout in Sphing Sphinx was an Acornsoft



Darrol Bartlett has a whole host of questions - it seems he's multi-tasking a number of is the gold coin to give to the peasant, in Custerd's Quest? How do you free the end after killing the dragon in Claws Of how do you get the rabbit, in Ian Wall, of the Essex

Police Ourst, of course! There's a dragon protecting a gem upstairs in Shadoweate.

and Christopher and Anthony Albon want to know how to get it! Who can help? Some old Beeb adventures

come in for a reprise this

adaptation of Colossol Cove. and if the pirate problem was faithfully copied, then the parate's hideout is in the mane near the orange column.

Matthew Conway was gatekeeper in Karvssia, Gree up with the answer - and it's a bit of a shocker! It seems there Zacaron Mystery? And how do are TWO passwords that allow you open the chest in the tower you to get into Part 2, and only one is correct. What's worse, except you won't be able to set past the gatekeeper! At a guess ORLA Wrong! To get the real one, says Greg, you must first find the silver falcon, a feat

achieved by planting the acorn

in the soft ground S. E. N. S. S.

climbing down the rope that

you can tie to it. Use that password to get into Part 2. and the estekeener should

Reading the October Helpline, Cieron Faux decided he could help Christopher Watte and Gary Edwards, who were both stuck in Waltenan Meanwhile, Stuart Day's problem has onite a complicated solution, says Cieron, who invites Stuart to Norman Road, Tunbridge

Wells, Kent TNI 2RT, for a

full explanation Help came this month from: Stephen Englhart, Ingolstadt: Cieron Faux, Tunbridge Wells: O'Donovan, Southampton: Albon, Southampton, and Denmark.



mother Hungus. jewel from the stomach of the start, and also use it to get the When you have fallen in, the Shiflis mort it gaidgose sunt

incidot. Climb the idol when Hungus, Beat him, and when Хоп шаг визск ше рвой

BELOZD ZORF: Resid west to the cave opening type ASHENLEA. To pass the OF , DIVECT 221A DAR , Ded Offil

the moonlight. Undress, get pack the curtains to block ore negloom, examine it, and pull TO SHOULD DESCRIBE TO THE NVWCTOW

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HOWL to become Wolfman, and hold he lip. Type and hold he lip.

I ake everyining you tind, mount your horse, and go east twice.



CORRUPTION: To leave hospital, masquerate as another patient.

Operation for the control of the con

QUEST FOR THE COI DEN EGCCUP: Dig in sand to excape the dungeon. If all else fails, be a Smart Egg.

Corruption - KC knows how to T get out of the hospital



Letters

wants to be a champion! "! read your review of hampions in the July issue of C+VG and as it was a

c+vG and 3s it was a departure from the usnal kind of FRP game that I usually also. I went to my local hobby op and timed to buy it. I owever, I was told that the game wasn't in stock and, as it was imported, I wouldn't have a chance of obtaining it payabor. Therefore, I am

e locate a copy and tell me where I can buy it No problem Francis. Contact Chns Ruie, c/o Games O/ I herpool, 89 Victoria St, Liverpool, L1 6DG miller large was and they will tend you.

ssae and they will send sou their catalogue, which conta the original Champions rulebook as well as all the supplements which are

available for it.

Another FRP'er in trouble is
Alex Monty, who has painting
problems. ''I like to paint
Miniature Fanlasy figures and
like Wayne Yeadon in a

revious C + VG letters page, 1 haven't had anch success in funding books which will help 3 fantasy painting technique I have heard from a Iriend

I have learn from a freed though that a book called "Hero's For Wargames", published By Paper Tiger exist and that is supposed to be a really brilliant guide for novia-panners. Do you know where can get it from as I need it gestorraide?"

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Sven Hajbonrge from Norway writes: "Sometimes you tell people to enclose a Stamped

enquiring about certain F R P and P B.M. dems, however, I, and many other F R P, player who are based abroad cannot do lhis. Please help me find a solnation as I would very much like lo write away to some of

information."
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Dear Wayne, Is it true that Warhammer is going to be available for computer Can you tell me it there will be a Spectrum version and when will it

ppear ane Scroggius, danchester.

Dear Jane, There will indeed be a Spectrum version Jane, but don't expect to see it until w into '89.

mro ay, Dean Wayne, I have heard of a phone in FR same called Fist? How do I g myolved in it and how much

will it cost. Matthew Bilger, Bounds Green.

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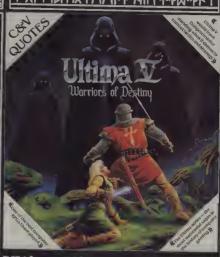
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CAMPRELL Squire Lancelot rode his steed down as he approached a ford The Black Knight challenged him: 'Show you are worthy, Lancelot did attack him, and before long, being a capable at his mercy. Behaving m the most chivalrous way, he was the King's presence the next day, to be made a Knight of the Round Table, for the Black

Like that particular episode.

The next day, after the ceremony. Arthur related thus at once, and free my men who are under seice, that they may return to me," he commanded the glances exchanged between & Inncelot - prays for success

So Lancelot rode to Loggis where treacherous knights roamed. Before long, desorte Lyonesse, and driven away the army that held ber manor under seige. By now, in Damsel Maledisant, and the stalwart Red Knight, whose life Camelot and Logris. On the

involving challenges all along example, soon surrendered to the first parts.



had imprisoned many of Arthur's brave knights secret devices which concealed decided that rescuing Sir. guesi .

paris, with the first two parts moving from one to another simply causes a pause while a new set of data is read in. The parts I and 2, and involves without the need to complete



A KC - self portrait

thenrielves land eggs. The

Green Things, and try to eat all

Fold away board





'Lancelot' is based on the Thomas Mallory, Researched by Pere Austin, it has the authentic flavour of the levend of the knights of the round

According to Mandarin Software, Pete Austin of Level 9 describes it as their best

It is a fine adventure, but whilst the atmosphere is humour somewhat taking drawn, are nowhere near the standard found in Ingrid's above replying in the vein: You must be mad to say a

Adventure authors should be extremely careful when writing in a reply like that a their parser and vocab has not player is not to be offended. I times, and also a little irritated that sentence' after a perfectly legitimate command had been entered. This, it seems, is a peculiarity of the parser when dealing with complex GO TO's (ce GO TO MERLIN). although it also crops up when

much simpler commands are In short, the same does not

have the same to hust feel about Inerid. The OOPS and RAM SAVE commands are more useful than ever with this nlot. TO, take the drudgery out of trudeing around from place to place, speeding up the pace of the game immeasurably. But in

the way I must have tried something sust a hit too assume that a bumper harvest

reply: "A voice in the distance

everything went crazy, the Red Knight started attacking me and eventually, failing to deterhim. I was forced to restart

So whitst it is very good. I wouldn't describe it as Level 9's best ever, any more than I would seree with Mandarin's Press Release claim that Level 9 is the acknowledged world leader in adventure software. Whilst Level 9 are certainly one honour of world leader must by Magnetic Sciolls.

hunt comnetition, with a £5,000 replica of the legendary Holy Grail itself, as the prize, This has already been hidden at competitors for it will have to take part in a two-stage contest based on clues within the game. a man of Arthurian England. and a 20 page glossy

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BANGKOK KNIGHTS (System 3)

Type in this listing if you're finding System 3's kick boxing game loo easy. When you've finished. RUN il and press play on lane. You didn't forgel to put in the tape did you? Cheers to Bruce 'n' Daz for this C64 listing

10 FOR A = 608 TO 624 READ B: POKE A B NEXT 20 FOR A = 53123 TO 53256 READ B POKE A B-NEXT

SYS 606 DATA 32, 44, 247, 32 108, 245, 169, 128 DATA 141, 237, 2, 76, 166, 2, 76, 221, 207 DATA 169, 32, 141, 249, 3, 169, 246, 141, 250 DATA 3, 164, 207, 141. 251, 3, 169, 16, 141 DATA 252, 3, 169, 127. 76, 61, 3, 169, 234, 141

90 DATA 75, 169, 0, 141, 250, 75, 169, 234, 141 100 DATA 170, 17, 141, 171, 17, 90 PACLAHD (Grand Stam)

if you're a C64 Pecland owner, you might lind this Bruce and Daz listing very useful for the little vella fella Just Type II in and RUN II for infinite lives

1000 FOR Z = 53179 TO 53242 READ A 1010 POKE Z. A NEXT: POKE 646, 3 POKE 157, 128 SYS 53174 DATA 169, 207, 141, 1030 41, 3, 32, 86, 245 1040 DATA 169, 32, 141, 187, 3, 169, 240, 141 1050 DATA 188, 169, 2, 141, 189, 3, 160

1060 DATA 15, 185, 222, 207, 153, 240, 2, 136 1070 DATA 18, 247, 96, 238, 32, 208, 238, 33 1060 DATA 208, 169, 189



winners this month

141. 162, 9, 252, 0 1090 DATA 0, 96, 169, 49, 141, 159, 2, 169 1100 DATA 234, 141, 160, 2, 76, 237, 246, 0, 0

BATTLE VALLEY (Rack-It) Hewson's budget label has spowned quite a few good lilles - and this is one of Them. If your lank and

helicooler are being blown up before you get the chance to complete the mission, type in NEXT this wild 'n' whacky listing for 50. POKE 646 SIPOKE 157

you've linished, RUN II and press play on lape. Another Bruce and Daz C64 special 10 DATA 32, 86, 245, 169, 0, 141, 26, 4, 169, 208, 141.

20 DATA 96, 169, 0, 141 67, 50, 141, 46, 58, 169, 165, 30 DATA 184, 69, 76, 132,

40 FOR A = 53234 TO 53263. READ Z. POKE A, Z.



TO HELL AND BACK (CRL) I quite like this game - it's nol brilliant, but it's fun - and Ihal's what counts. It's even more lun when you enler this William de Sausmarez POKE Load the game and reset the machine Type POKE 32371, 173 (RETURN) for unlimited lives, or POKE 32524, 173 POKE 32463, 173 (RETURN) for inlinute energy. Restart the game with SYS 30464

RETURN) and you'll lind life

REVENGE OF DOH (Imagine)

Il you're Irelling because I didn't print a cheat for the C64 version last month, quil worrying. Just type CHEETAH into the highscore lable and you'll be graced with a million billion lives. John Maguire lound that inleresting little leature

NETHERWORLD (Mewson) What's the point completing a level the hard way when all you have to do is press 2, 4 and E together to linish a screen Thal's another one ram John Maguire of Dublin

PSYCHO SOLDIER

(imagina) Okay all you C64 owners If your Psycho Soldiar is more lika a Psycho Knobbeart Lyne

In this listing to make her well hard When it's linished and chacked RUN the listing and press play on lapa to set this Bruce and Dez Isting into motion

10 FOR x = 541 TO 578 READ Y POKE X. Y. NEXT POKE 157, 128 sys 541 DATA 32, 86, 245, 72 169, 32, 141, 84, 3, 169, 2,

141, 86 40 DATA 3, 141, 52, 10 169, 59, 141, 51, 10, 104, 238, 32, 208 DATA 98, 72 77 80 169, 141, 6, 232, 76, 0, 130

FANTASY ZONE II (Segs) Good old Colin Chan has sant This acid house Sega game, Well, it's certainly garish

engugh On laval two, walk along the unlil a red bottla appears Pick it up and the ship will be



A clack is found on level seven - il's on the warp with a massive cacti end sand dunas in the background Keep shooling the black hole (which is two holes to the right of the warp at the lop of the screen) There's also e rad bottle. located on the warp with the red axil. Just keep shooling along the ground

like you did on level thme ACTION FIGHTER (Sega) These were sent in by Phil Madey of Poynton, Chashire picked up a pround-to-air missile), change into a Porsche and back. You shool loward and the choppar thes

reason. This works even if you hayan'l gol tha first lour extra When you'ra in the air, play

this bit as a normal shool 'em up Try and keen the missiles Irom The ground saction, or nick Them up as soon as possible - you nead them for the heliconiers. Keep to the lell or right of lanks. When you get three subs. Take your lime and spand most of the time dodging thair missiles. Try and hit sech sub in jurn.

STUNT BIKE SIMULATOR (Code Mesters)

If you'ra an Amstrad owner, Iry out this beout palle from Devid Bakar of Bromley Kenl. Just press A, S and D keys logether during tha game to slip to the next level BIONIC COMMANOO (GO!) Apparently the C64 version has a little bug. When you have a powarful weapon. restert the game and the weepon will be retained for Iha nexl gama! Thank you very murch to William da Sausmarcz of Guernsey for

SNfNOBI (Sege)

Simon Scott of London was vary quick to find this cheat mode for Saga's new martial arts dame On the tilla screen push the controller diagonally up and right end press fire button number two and you'll baleble to select which screen you'd like to tackle

MIKE TYSON'S

PUNCH-OUT (Nintendo) Further to the Mean Machines lips last month. If you want to leckle a new order of boxers. just enler 135 792 4680 as tha pass key and hold down select and the A and B buttons simultaneously and Mac is promoted to "Another World Circus'

RAD RACER (Nintendo)

Nintendo's new rece gams arnived just a liftle too lata for review, but if you've already gol il, you might be interested in this cheal Start the game by choosing a cer, end get a demonstration screen Naxt reading by pushing the B button. Now push the start bullon while also pressing the control pad diagonally up and This increases the indicator by two. The first one and Iwo represent course one and two, and the next four numbers mean coursa Iwo II you set I ha indicator at the maximum 16, you start on course eight. Using this melhod, and with a little experimantelion you can stert on any course you like. Apparently the final screen has a surprisa - use the Lachometer Irick to see it, but you nead to press the B button at least 60 times!

ROAD RUNNER (US Gold) Eeek-a-mundo! John Maguire is here yet again with a simple n' easy-lo-use C64 POKE Just load the game, rasel the compuler and enter POKE 43241, 36 (RETURN) and



C. D. E and F as soon as possible. If you have the choice of entering the SEGA Iruck and collecting a tattar. weapons should make it a lot assier to collect the letters. As soon as you collect A. B. C. and D you are able to knock don't Iry it with cars and embulances. Keap an eye oul for road signs warning of corners To gal rid of the halicopter (if you haven't

rather than take them out one by one. The reason for Ihls is Ihai Iha lesi sub on Iha screen Movas up and down as well as moving laft and nohl, making hils on it.

On lalar missions tha tenks fire in all directions, so watch The ground as well as the air. and bomb the lanks when you get the chance. The airship's missiles ara prelly easy to avaid II you don't Hy too far forward



Leval Ihree has a surprise shop and buy a lasar from Ihem. Go to the part of the lendscape where the background is made up of diamond-shaped slones and position yoursell at the bottom hell of the screen and shoot A clock appears and you're

when you confront the end-of-level quardian Thera s a blue bottle on level lour. It's on the werp with a load of etraight edges and flames, just above the Hoor to the left of the warp hole near



A Netherworld

v asters Always leave your mon on nnnortunity line

start the game with SYS 4126 (RETURN) Now you have an infinite supply of lives In make Wil E Cvole's life a complete end utter misery

KONAMI'S ARCADE COLLECTION (Ocean)

A trin of POKEs for three of The gemss on this excellent C64 compulation

For Iron Horse load, reset and enter POKE 3368, 181 (RETURN) FOLLOWED BY unlimited lives ere there There, there and there for your pleasure and enjoyment. The ever-so-crappy Jailbreak is similarly POKEd into submission by loading the game, resetting the computer and typing POKE 52050, 174 POKE 52097, 174 (RETURN) followed by SYS Nemesis is mede infinitally eesier by reselting the machine end entering POKE 5975, 189 (RETURN) end SYS 5768 (RETURN) Cheers once again to John Maguire Irom Dublin

LASER SOUAD (Target

Games) Colin and Gavin Young have supplied some very comprehensive tins for this ullerly superb Spectrum

The Marsec euto-gun is The

best all-round weapon. If a door remains onen it. means that there is a man (i.e. en operative) in it.

 On level three (The Mine). examine all the dead operatives when you kill Them You'll Ind that one is be carrying a Video Key (normally like one neer like video room). Take this to the room which contains like video console end insert II into the Vidi-screan. This activales the video cameras in the mine and ellows you to see the operatives when you select the scanner mode

· On the lower skill levels buy the Rocket feuncher, the explosion from this is awesome The price of weapons on each level does not vary so you can calculate how many

credits to spend on armour so that you have enough money elt to buy weapons Don't go on a spending spree il you have money left Carrying log much reduces.

the available action points in a Take your time you have area carefully and ALWAYS leave your men on autoline Use a couple of men to quard the rear of your squad.

for weapons, they always seem to carry valuable

WEAPONS LIST

Heevy Laser: powerful, with loads of ammo, but heavy end burdens your men, reducing their action points. Mersec Auto-gun: best

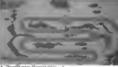
ell-round weepon, powerful and eccurele. M4000 Auto-gun: The beat "budgel " gun, bul lacks the

eccuracy of the Marsec Aulo-gun L50 Las-gun: not very powerful or eccurate, e Rocket Launcher: a luxury lor the early levels. Power is awesome, but lacks ammunition and hes a nesty habit of blowing up the user if he is loo neer

MOONBASE ASSAULT The bollom-left is probably

The best place to deploy your men. Splil your squad into two for the best effect. Move your men Inwards the central area with the most

delebenks/analysers II a door is open a usually means that en operative is in it. Oil drums and ges cylinders can



Road Runner Road Runner disappoint ment

Sniper Rifle: lecks autofire. bul is cheap, powerful and the Marsec Pistol: has autoline. bul lecks any power, a bil ol a

turkey Degger: very good for close combal, if you ever get if AP50 Grenede: good for blowing up operatives who ere waiting on autolire around e corner. CAUTION get out of ils lield and Al WAYS

On the first skill level you cen equip your men with Rocket Launchers and blow up the house, (end Sterner Regnix) without even entering the building! On letter levels beller progress can be made il you split your squad into two parts, one all each end, and explore the building carefully You will lind that the droids usually keep some pattern but This is not elweys the case. When you lind Stemer concentrate your lire on him

be shot at to give a nice.

reection. Be cereful, an

up next to you.

SCENARIO TIPS

THE ASSASINS

explosion and usually a chain

operative does not blow one

because once he is dead the RESCUE FROM THE

game is over BAINES Before you use the

explosives, which you need to blow up the pason door, move The prisonar ewey from the door as he will be caught in the blast. When blowing the door always remember to prime the explosive before dropping if, bul make sure you allow yoursell enough time to get clear of the explosion. As previously menlioned, try and get the video key as this will allow you ki Pitresi Emmac 19 to ambush the enemy.







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Welcome to part two of our epic Last Ninja 2 map. It the

Gods are with us you may actually be able to buy the game itself by the time you read this! Here we go through the last three loads (load seven being merely the end of load six which programmer John Twiddy couldn't tit on) thanks to Mark, Stan and John of

white back along the catwalk and down the ladder goin (if you jump off or try to climb the ladder while olding something you die ~ so don't!)

START

LEVEL





and by walking at an a able to gel past before Dan't climb lihe ladder,

with those you on the leage bon't ley to jump effects (you can't) but stand by the wa't next to it, I by walking at an angle into its path you should be to get post before you get blown of the edge o't climb the ladder, but go through the grating

You end up in the lift shaft, where you should a limb the ladder, and go throug to the armoury. Don't bother picking up a gun [Nthijas don't use them, remember?] but go through the door to the left.

So through this door to get into the flist office. Operate he computer terminal on the right hand side to access a possword you will need tater on. It is not stored, so wife it down!

At the end of the blue corridor is an open area with two doors in shown the one on the right lead the red office, but this is a loady pointless journey because there is nothing there. Go through the second door and you get to the panelled study. Move the pen on the desk top tight, and a secret on the desk top tight, and a secret on the desk top tight, and a secret and the secret secret secret secret the secret secret the secret secret the secret secret secret the secret secret secret the secret secret secret the secret secret the secret secret secret the secret secret secret the secret



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Don't go down the statis because you will trip the intared lights and the claim will make all the guards



Play Masters Starolidar Masters

Use the maps provided to help you get around. Here is a rundown of the planets and moons

SOLICE: Red and yellow in colour, Thie is the sun. Don't

DANTE: Red in colour, this is the first pienet of the system. And the holtest VISTA: This is blue, and ie this second planet of the

APOGEE: This is grey and is the third planet of the system Thill carus begins the game here. It has a tunnel system (see maps) Il has two moons ENOS: This is dark grey, and

CASTRON: This is also grey, and pretty dull CASTRON: This is also grey, and has its own lunnel system (see maps). Bouncing bombs are in this depot

(see maps) Bouncing bombs are in this depot MRLWAY: This is the gas grant, and is bright red in colour Don't go near it! It has

seven moons BROADWAY: As with the test of millway's moons, it is dark red. It has a tunnel system.

APEX: The second moon.
ESPRIT: The Ihird moon
QUESTA: The fourth moon.
WESTMERE: The fulth moon.
SYNAPSE: The sixth moon.
WACKPUNK: The last of
Milway's moons
ALDOS: This is the lest

planatin the system It is light blue Q-BETA: This ie the lone moon of Aldos. It is derk blue The space station is in geo-stationary grbit around it.

Ganeral Tips: Use the 'Paunting with Roll' option on the title screen to get yourself acquainted with the different objects you will

Re-energise by flying along power lines (frying not to clash into them), or prelurably, by flying out into space and space-hopping asteroid field. Tractor-beam



an asteroid, and keep it in renge of the licarus, and you will energise. If it blows up before you are completely recharged, find another one, and do this seme to that one DON'T collect the asteroids to energise off them tater, as they explode it they are

jettisoned
Don'i gel lo close to things
that you are attacking, as
when I hay blow up and have a
hebit of throwing shrapnel
into your shields

Take notes of which moon of millway is having e projector base built on as the messagee come in.

The Miesion Follow the tunnel down on Apogee until you reach the

Apogee until you reach the depot They ask you if you want them to build you'x personalized neutron bomb, which, ol course, you say yes to. They they say you to collect the ungredents needed for the fee following chart! Fly back out and collect the needed for they have been collect the needed for they for the fee following chart! Fly back out and collect the needed for they for t

Irom ine planets/moons/space by Iractor-bearning a, then collecting a. BE-WARE! The larus can only hold two or three objects at a lime, so when you have collected your maximum, return to the Apogean depot, and hetbson them here. Iry and get the Prof lirst, as he can be getting.

on with building the Ihing whilst you ere galavanting around in the learus.

around in the loans. Fly to Broadway, and through the tunnels to the deport There they arriom you to the Professor Taymar is comp some geleavaring of his own in his souped-up firmina-E, the salways flying around on Broadway, so collect him as you would arrive collect him as you would are to the top of the the salways the salways flying around on Broadway, so collect him as you would are the Broadways of the salways are as well collect the four massies that they have built for you there's more where.

Ihal came from!).

As eoon as you can, fly lo
Ihe lunnel depol of Castron
and collect the four bouncing
bombs, (If anybody knows

Turn back up

right tube Turn Left how to get the learus' pilot counch for them, please let now know!, With these, you must destroy the projector bases being built on the moons of Milway (only bouncing bombs will do it). This gives you enough time to collect all of the needed perts for the bomb.

Eventually though, all of the

Eventually I hough, all of the projector bases will have been buill, and work begins on the space station. Luckily, by this time, you should have The neutron bomb ready (what do you mean you haven'l?), so use the missilee and a few blests of your lasers to dispose of the mini-sentinels protecting the station, then go and collect old Mr Neutron That's it, sling it under your ship, and fly to the Space station. Polish off any remaining mini-sentinels Then destroy the station itself with the neutron bomb. All that remeins for you to

All thal remains for you to do now is to congretulate yourself and do it all over again, with less time before work beings on the space station!

Trem asks you lo collect. A case of nuclear fuel – The lest planel will provide this A lump of meneral rock – The moon of the lest planet A craile of castrobars – Blow up a few pirates! A cask of visitian wine – Blow up a lew more pirates! A Egron min-tocket – A Egron min-tocket – A Bergon min-tocket – An agli ordo – In space.

An asieroid – In space, no-one can hear you gel Ihem! A flai diamond – On Ihe second planet

A cluster of nodules - On the hottest planet Professor Halsen Taymar -

Professor Halsen Taymar — Burning rubber on Broadway Ol course, some things can be found elsewherel

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APOGEE	BROADWAY	CASTRON
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Turn Left	Turn Right	Turn Left

OPERATION WOLF COMPO

Operation Wolf is a wicked soft of game, weryone knows that, Read series with le lines of the C+VG Christmes Crackers were land of you'll work out that most of the start are contident if it be THE number one this Christmas. We couldn't iff another competition into the book, so we've got one over here in the bulk of the magazine instead.

Besides all the various men you have to send to meet their maker, there are a tair number of helicopters, armoured cars and ships you have to blow sky high. And tanks, plenty of tanks.

Ocean have provided us with a bunch of top notch Tamiya model kits of tanks and stuff from throughout the ages, and we're giving ten away (Julian is tiliching the rest). We've a





▲ A couple of Op Waif style armoured cars

modem British Challenger, a World War II Tiget lank, a Leopord fork... and loads more. English made of genuine plastic, comes camplete with a little transfers et you'll meed, and its world with a count diffeen quid. Tamilya are generally reckned to be the best of the plastic model kit manufacturers (though no doubt Airfix etc would disagree) so you can't say that your pais C+V4 don't treat you right! Send your entries to this address within the next it we weeks to a chance: Operation will come not contain the contained to the contained within the next it we week to a chance: Operation will company c. V40 Priory Court, 30-37 Farringdon Lane, London ECHR 3AU.

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e That Tony Dillon is getting almost as bad as Tony Takoushi

is it only coincidence that their names are so similar, we ask? Every last game the both of them review is the best, most mega they've ever seen etc. until the next one they review. of course At least Dillon doesn't write every second word in capitals yet, but he's getting that way, and his socalled jokes are useless.

On the plus side, the mag is looking pretty good these days FAX is great especially (grovel, grovel) But why do often all the mass have the same game on the cover some months? I'm beginning to get really bored with these "Q" magazine style so-called compilation covers You know, where the front of the magazine is made up of a whole bunch of screen shots and looks like a dog has been sick all over it. Sticking with a bit of artwork was definitely the nght idea, even if the illustrations are a bit ropey some months. The guy who did Xenon and Roadblasters is especially great Let's have I saw you at the show, even if

your stand was a bir little and stuck around a corner and really crowded. This year's T shirts looked ace - really unusual - though you couldn't tell they were really about computer games. Must go Keep up the good work. Mike Swarpe Hudderstield

· Software companies have tiken quite a lot of stick lately concerning their advertising methods to promote games, I am of course referring to the ncreasing use of semi naked page three girls (Long and boring bit cut out here about the pros and cons of guile advertising, including the bizarre assertion that Matia Whittaker and Sam Fox are both professional models

because you can't see their ribs because she's too "naturally thin"

Yours sincerely. Stuart Neil Hardy P.S Is there going to be another large poster of Melasa Raven-

Editor's reply: No.

 Hallo Peeps! I am write this letter because I am wodering when the new Nintendo games arrive because if they don't come to Eng' soon. I am going to put the Nintendo manas of Eng on a kebab skewer, and throw the peep into a Sega factory to show him how well they do Then I will get the Sega with the tiny-weeny-peeny bit ol mon I may get for the white and grey box with three over size carts which are a loadarubbish. So il all the goned games armyo Chris' the above will not happen . . Luke Drummond

Editor's reply: Get your Harry Enfield characters a bit mixed up at the end there?

Panaboume, Berks

LETTER OF THE MONTH

 Haif and well met (agains) Tis I, piferer of plastic bags, swiper of stickers, otherwise known as the Surbiton contingent of the C+VC appreciation club.

I write to concede that this year you have managed to thwart my attempts at collecting the prized C+VG memorabilia so bountiously bestowed at last year's PCW Show Is there a new defense system integrated into the C+VG stand - an SEP field generator, maybe?

Gone were the generous handouts of stickers and lund yellow plastic bags . . oh, woel Well, sling whatever sagacious snags into my scheme (like

moving the stand when I wasn't time that the Apple II got a looking), I still made it to the C+VG stand eventuali staggening over on weakened knees after disembarking from the helicopter simulator (see, it was no use hiding. I spotted you from the air), sporting my Microprose/WH Smith expenence" sticker On my last legs, I struggled to focus my watery eyes for what soomed like an eternity. Then suddenly. I was rewarded with a vision of the famous Mr Eugene Lacey, gracefully modelling the ob-so-chir "Stonking good read" T-shirt nymph-like in his elegance. My prayers have been

Right, now that's out of the way, let's get down to business. As always, the Adventure column goes from strength to strength, and as for the reviews, impeccable taste as usual thanks for all the ST games covered. You seem to have got out of that habit of printing on a dark background, so as far as I can see, this time there are no

complaints. The cover of the Oct '88 issue is not bad at all Keep up the excellent work

Editor's reply: Are you sure you were really at the show? We DID have carrier bags (tasteful white ones) and as for Eugene being nymph-like

Still, hope you like the new look AGM.

Wonder of Wonders! In the July 1988 issue you actually mention Apple II computers THREE times I honestly had begun to think that the British thought that the only computers made by Apple were MacIntoshes, so I am glad JEDRZEJEWSKI that you proved me wrong (or was it an error?)

Semously though, it is about - give machine code games a

mention, when you consider that a lot of the games coming from America are often initially released in Apple II format, It amazes me that the Apple does not seem to have gained the acceptance in Great Britian which it enjoys in the United States and Australia Try using "Mean 18" goll simulator on an Apple II GS, and then lorget about your Commodores and Atans

John Thornley New South Wales Australia

 I was recently looking through some old C+VGs when I came across a feature on how to "Make your own alien" (Nov 1986 issue). As I read this section I decided it would be interesting, though dillicult to make one. Now the point of this letter: could you please tell and how much it would cost me Thanks I'd like to end my letter with a joke, but I haven't got one Giles Preenel Briesly Hill

Editor's reply: I'm afraid the joke is that there aren't any latex shops in Briefly Hill. Have you considered plasticine?

W Midlands

Me and 126 friends (well, 6 actually) have had a wicked idea for the mag. How about a section were all the millions of readers can send in their own programs to you and you review them, give them marks and if a reader would like to buy it they can write to you and pass the order onto the maker Simple huh? Your admiringly NEIL 'THE 8 BIT WONDER'

P.S. If you use my idea don't

ailbag

so good. For something four inches square, it certainly is powerful. Paul Tweedle, Kirby, Merseyside.

Editor's reply: As you may be starting to notice, big things are happening with Mean Machines. You can expect it to be bigger and have many new leatures . . . other than that, it's a case of waiting and seeing.

higher mark just because basic games some times use block graphics.

P.P.S. Hall'eve heaten Exolon P.P.S. How about this then I've made Operation Wolf and Out Rnn in basic P.P.P.S: I've made Afterburner

P.P.P.P.S Let's have more on Afterburner P.P.P.P.S I'd better go now

I'm getting boung

Editor's reply: You must be loking - we're overworked

Thank you los your fantastic

magazine It's much better than its German copy "ASM", although reading (and especially) writing in English is not that easy lor me

But the teason for my letter as something else Where in God's name is your new mag. "The One-"21 waited for I stude One, but it didn't arrive at my loney dealers. I'm not willing to mass issne two, soil you don't want me to do a little "Tiantot" job on Faringson Lame (EF 6) send The One to Germany as event The One to Germany as letter "Lambour Walkard".

Editor's reply: We've had a number of tetters on this. Write to the Subscriptions Dept at the Address on the contents page. A European subscription costs £33.00 and for the rest of the world it is £42.00 surface mail/£70.00 air mail.

 Congratulations on having such gorgeous gulles working for you! It was gintle happy to stand and stare at your stand all day and admire the assortment of luscious lovelies rather than walk around the rest of the show.

Gis' a job, I can trim my hand to almost anything, honest George Wahh

PS. Who is the balding lat man? Editor's reply: Andrea and

Lora say you're gorgeous too, George.

 I would like to know if I am the only person who has noticed the almost uncanny resemblance between Matt Bielby and nitra-groovy pop person Rick Ghastly?

Are they in any way ielated to each other or is if just a very spooky likeness? Could you please paint a piccie of the two hinnles sade by side. It would make my day (even week!)

Phoebe Burrows
London



▲ Matt Bielby

I'm not one to complain, but I read Mean Machines in C+VG October and I suddenly felt an tinge to grab a pen and a piece ol naper and scribble away. For a start, the column should be a lot longer as more and more people are brying consoles understand it is hard to get hold ol games to review but surely Mean Machines doesn't have to be all reviews. You could have a console games chart, letters or even a competition Anywity, in October I thoronably engoved reading it.

but when I looked at the screen, Johns: the captions were under the worng pictures, or at lees at looked that way I ledding to other me so much as I am the proud owner oil a Ninnerdo, but my barothes was bothered — he bas a Sega I liked the P C d Engine but These machines look really are injoing by the two pags review of it mith May issue. Wo slip pine either V roun is some word of the proposition of the prop

was baseball'- the graphics are

A Rick Astley with bimbo

meichants.
Every month there is a competition to win some

competition to win some marvellors pizze – like a trip to Disneyland or a day ont in a Ferrari – but you never read about the winners, or see their names in the magazine

Do these prizes really exist or do you just make them up to make people bny your magazine?

Mike Hunt, Reading

Ed's reply: So you want proof. OK next month we will show you pictures of a C+VG reader in Disneyland and a C+VG reader being chauffered to school in a Ferrari.

I was wondering about an advertisement for a magazine called "The One". I have seen it in your magazine and would like to buy it, but cannot find it anywhere. Can you rell me about it and where to get hold of it?

Sven Anders.

Ed's reply: See? We've had a lot of letters on this. DON'T GET LEFT IN THE DARK...











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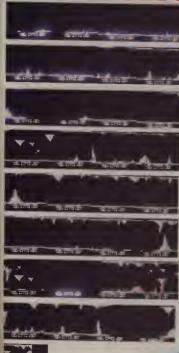
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ARCADE ACTION

THE LONDON REPORT If you want to find the lotest

If you're ever in London, and have time to kill, why not visit some arcades. Julion Rignall reparts and where you can find the best ares. If you think your can find the best ares. If you think your can the second of the second

video gomes, Landon is o pretty good pace to be. Casina Amusements at the top of Tottenhom Court Raad is the testing site of Electrocain, Eurape's biogest

is the testing site of Electrocain, Europe's biggest arcode machine suppliers. The arcode is quite small, but of the back you'll find a selection of the hottest new files around. The stock varies from week for week, the latest selection includes Cobal, Drogon Ning, Assoult, Drogon Ning, Assoult, Electrock Cobal, Drogon Ning, Assoult, Stock Cobal, Drogon Ning, Chare Cobal, Drogon Ning, Chare Cobal, Drogon Ning, Chare Cobal, Drogon Ning, Charent Cobal, Drogon

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include Galaxy Farre,
Blasterods, Cabol, Calaga
88, Assoult, Vindicator,
Wulcan Veniture, Xybots,



A Piccadilly Circus in the wild West End.

RCADE ACTION

alsa a gaad range of aldies, including Flying Shark, Tap Speed, R. Type, Salamander Nemesis, and Asteraids of all

lead tawards Shaftesbury Avenue, and you'll go past Family Leisure in Old

Campton Street, and Las Vegas. Fomily Leisure is on excellent arcade, with all the Intest comes, but unfartunately you have to pay through the pase, with newer games casting an

enarmaus 50p a ga Hawever, if you dan't care about your budget, this place is great if you want to play the newest titles Sega's Power Drift was tested there a cauple of weeks ago, and should have returned by the time you read this; at the mament it's the anly one in UK. Dynamite Dux is alsa there, as well as Assault Dragan Ninja, Ninja Spirit, POW and Checkered Floa. There are plenty of aldies too, including Halley's Camet, Out Run, R-Type, Fighting Saccer, Operation Walf and Pale Pasitian! The stack varies fram week to week, so if you visit, you could be in far same surprises

Las Vegas used to be a personal favourite, but in the persanal favourite, put in in last couple of years they've got further and further behind. If you want to play the Fodure Race ald games like Endura Racer. Star Wars, TX-1, Pale Pasitian, Galaxians, Sprint 3. Bamb Jack, Centipede, Nemesis and the like, this place is ideal, especially as they're all 20p a shat, but there are hardly any new

Between Shafteshur Avenue and Leicester Square is the Amusements, found an the carner of Chinatawn, It has a varied and up-to-date selection of games, and althaugh nat as quick as Casing, or Family Leisure, it still warth a visit Stack invariably changes, but at last visit there was Bubble Babble, Tap Speed, Cabal, Operation Walf, P-47 and

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Crystal Room, another arcade that was good a few years aga, but now isn't sa nat. It's usually very crawded, and baasts anly a few new titles. There are plenty of ald ones, but overall It's a bit at a disappointment when campared with ather arcades in the area !

There are other arce datted around centra Landan, but mast are fruit machine based, and affer a

agre selection of videos the best bet is to check out the nes listed abov

The West End is definitely hat - but not the beginning and and af arcade game playing in Landon

There are also hat orcades to be found in Islantian near the Wimpy in the High Street, two at Kings Crass, ne in Camden High Street, artabelle Road (the Jet etters Arcade), White Chapel High Street, and Walthamstaw - plus a

variety of Landan pubs particularly recommended is the Crawn and Anchar in Shae Lane where nane at than the esteemed editar af C+VG used to pull pints.

You will find that name al these lend to get hat new games as fast as the select West End ares we name, but the daesn't me an many happy hours can't be thrashed there - and quite inexpensively tag. At least by camparison! Then again, there is always the lacal chippy/kebab hause

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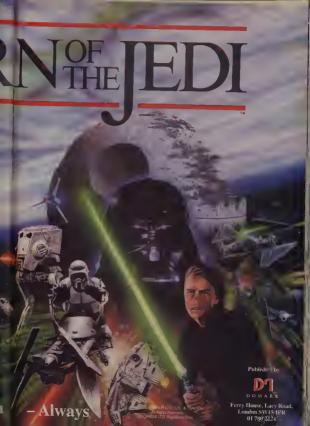
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BUSBLE BOBBLE

A group of avid arcade goers in Littlehampton found this brilliant tip for Inito's classic game How they lound it, nobody knaws - but it's incredibly useful. When the

Bubble Bobble title screen appears, quickly move player one's jaystick left, press the jump button, move player one's jaystick left again, press the one-player buttan, joystick left again, press fire, joystick left yet again, and finally press the one-player button, If you do this before the title screen goes off, a POWER UP message appears at the battom of the screen. When a game is started. Bub is endowed with speed-up and hubble-up moking the game somewhot Better still, when he retained, making the adds a little mare even.





VINDICATORS

If you're playing a two-player game, always be the first to reach the exit Always accumulate as many points as possible - at the end of the level, paints amassed are converted to fuel so the higher the scare, the mare fuel is awarded if you're an your own, and

start on the hard level, spend your stars wisely. The best combination is 15 stars on shat power, five on homb ons or smort musiles (whichever are on olfer), eight on shields, and twelve on shot range Maximum shot range is impartant, since it allows the player to take out gun emplacements while staying out of their range Look aut in the future far more propde tips in C+VG -it is on area we have semi-ignored for a white, but enough of you are writing in requesting them that we have rethought our palicy.



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This is a useful tip for expert players - or those with money to burn. If a player gets to stage lour, and a second player joins in the action, he's awarded a 1,800,000 starting banus.

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ARCADE SHOW ROUND-UP

Preview time has come round again and in early October I went to loak at what's going ta be the new mego coin-ops for 1989. The show, held in Landon, gives a taster at what we con expect to see hitting the arcades later on next

The last couple of shows have been really exciting with likes of OutRun, Operation Walfand Wec Le Mons making their debuts. This year there was very little of interest either in the big game stakes or in the bread and butter

Other than Power Drift and RaboCap, there were only a few other games that were worth playing All the other games we have already laoked at - Tarta's excell Chase HQ, and sa on

level mansters which are a pour imitation of those in

The graphics are in lovely shades of pastel which make differentiate close up, the game laoks for more pressive when viewed from

Thunder Cross is also very difficult. The gome is very ane level is hellish. Thank heavens for the continue play

tagether but if you want to go far this type, play one of the Remember Midnight Landing? The huge simulatar which gave you a taste of haw nerve racking it is to land a 747 in driving roin at the dead of night. Well Tarta has just launched its sequel with the original game of Tap

is slippery. Claudy means you can't see the runway until you're almost an tap of it

destination you are told what type afcraft you're flying, the wind speed and your altitude. The dials round the screen tinue to give other vita

your job to catch them and shave them into the back of a Palice Van. With guns

blazing it's not too diffult to net the first couple to surrender. Run up to them and they'll abligingly follow you to the van. The problems start when you run into a rival



information as you start your descent Messages pop up on screen accomponied by a voice - presumably a warred to turn left ar right if you look as if you're veering off

course The rest is up to you As you continue to play to landing game, you'll find wind speed and wind direction changing as well as your starting position. These into account, so you can't rely

Top Landing wouldn't hold my interest for lang, but it is o test of skill. I know I wouldn't stand a chance in the real thing, but I did enjoy o quick flight with my feet planted on

Konomi's other aftering at the show was Gang Busters a cartoon style caps and robbers game starring two idiotic palicemen wit

fluorescent punk hairdos This is a one or two player ome to apprehend a gong of bank robbers Having just bust the local bank, the gang forgets the getaway car and each one scurrier off dawn the reet a bag of loot. You hat fast it after them.

Il you let any of this gang get too close, or get distracted your captives are more than likely to find their courage, duff you up and escape. So the saoner you get them into the you the better As you travel through the gome the numbers of mabsters increose and your chances of

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ploughing your way through the lat of them slip away Finding extra weapons is always a help and with the extra bullet power it's quite easy to blow mast of them into next week Occasionally the path you have to follow narrows to places where you're easily ambushed Alternatively, you'll find your way blacked and on the other

for you to rip away through Keep your eyes an the man holes. These tend to conceal one of the gong who'll pap up, lab a gun at you and just as quickly duck back again. Luckily these only have a shart range and as they explode a cartoan style WOWI flahes up for a moment. Crassing streets is also hazardaus. Try nat to get mown down by manic drives

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POWER UP Super Weapen cannot be used without an option and are limited. Fire with Option adjust button.





Flamethrower

▲ Thundercross Kanami presented to the industry for the first time Thunder Cross which is neither new nor porticularly exciting. In fact it's very much a rerun at Salamander, Nemesis et al As you've probably guessed, it's a harizantally scrolling shoat 'em up with a large variety of pick-ups to enhance your ship and weapons systems and a huge ronge of aliens skimming tawards you information.

Need I add that there are the abligatory cannans mounted on both ground and ceiling and you'll have the picture Other dangers lurk in the blue lava which spauts aut at volcances and in the end of

In fact, I cauldn't get to grips with Midnight Landing and without fail managed to ditch my craft time and time again. Now Top Landing, though as sophisticated as its predecessor isn't as difficult Within three attempts I managed are safe take off and also landed a trainer of Sydney airport, No mean feat I con tell you.

At the beginning you're given a choice of eight airparts including Rio, Paris and San Francisco, Your chaice may also be influenced by the weather conditions at each - clear, cloudy at rainy, Rainy means that vi is abstructed and the ranway



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Just because you're a copper doesn't mean they'll stop Gong Busters is a nice little game but there's nothing here to get to a excited about Very much a game which will earn much a game which will earn

Thank God the war ended in 1945. Capcom treated us to 1942 and 1943 Scramble Spirit from Sega could be '1944' and na doubt we'll

soon see a 1945 loak o like Scramble Sprints o vertically scralling shoot 'em up with a bird's eye view of the game. This ideo is that Earth is being invaded by mysterious enemy and you've gat several missions — to intercept the oliens, find their secret base and save the rockets to take these out Soon you're flying over the sea. Small speed boots beell around before living clouds of shot at you. More airraft on chappers affect and the screen is full all missiles of on sart or another. Dodging

sart or another Dodging these is very difficult and offers a real challenge Next cames the enemy

read comes me enterly correct comes me enterly correct correct and it's of this point that the pome shows it realf as something different from the usual Flying Shork of the first obligation of the feet above the correct, the better to bligat away all the canons. The graphics undergo a rapid change and are magnified to such an

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much imagination went into

Scramble Spirit is nothing very new but it is fost and ha some nice touches. A chollenging game which is



For a really whocky, stamach churning ride, get into the Power Drift cabinet and hold onta your breakfast

Yet another mega-game from Sega, Pawer Drift follows Out Run After Surner and Galoxy Farce. However, it's like none of it's predecessors other than the bact that the cobinet maye ments are even more.

mavements are even more exaggerated and are likely to tass you out of the driving seat if you don't strap yoursell tightly in.

Power Borth as a cattoon style racing gone with some lovely graphics, a roller constant conses and all all 25 cases and all all 25 cases and all all 25 cases are some some lovely like lovely and in the track loyeut. This loops around statiff, le oving you bounting over bridges of logs, shown and in the long lovely l

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Grant wheels add speed it turns round and shakes his to them In fact, he spends are time looking backwords id smirking than incentrating on what's roung up round the next end if it wasn't far the fact at you're in control of the beel he'd and the rare last

The first level has five circuits, each ane mare fortuous than the last, and on every track the other 11 competitions are harder to beat "You've got to get the hang of the game pretty quickly if you're to make it at took number 25. And at £1 a throw you're also gaing to be pretty broke.

large sprines, breathlating agents are sprines, breathlating and eleven manic drivers competing against you offers a near challenge to move and the reast you have to complete the course not least third genition. The core is very sensitive and it tokes the young to be a sprine and the reast you have to complete the course not least third genition. The core is very sensitive and it tokes the young to get the hang of handling the buggy on the roised log tracks. The gar handles worse than when an solid ground and it's a simple said ground and i



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visible Once you've blawn up as much as you can an the corrier your plane takes to the

skies once mare and a percentage of how much domage you've inflicted is shown it's quite easy to get into the 90s and your paints clack up accordingly. End of level battle craft

saan hove into view, spewing out homing missiles and lots al shot. As usual you've got to fire at the nerve centre of each monster craft to explade it and this takes some shooting a lot of wosted lives.

Mission two takes you on a trail to find the enemy's

solid ground and it's a simple matter to lose control, drive



off the edge to end up on the

hoppened to Robecop.
Dota East has done on excellent job on Robocop which, in tact, is the fallow up to the successful Dragon Ninja Same large sprites, same style graphics and a CORDS

You've probably all seen falls faul of the gongsters and gets blown to bits. Then come the high-tech guys who put him back tagether again. plated suit and let him loose

on the city's gangsters The games a scralling shoot 'em up, though you'll have to be quick on the tripper if start off in a dingy back street, tatty warehouse doors cling to the door lombs windows are cracked and broken and huge packing crotes litter the area. The streets are quiet as you strall past the gutters. Suddenly a of a doorway guns blazing. RobaCap gropes for his shooter in a grinding cames straight out of the film But from then on, there's

He just blosts away The angsters are powerless, the windows spraying bullets wildly dawn an you. Being a cyborg, there's no way you speed and accurate shooting will get you out of this mess Everytime you're hit, RabaCap flickers and his a good robot down.

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harizantal bars before they slam down to reduce any lumps of metal to a paper thin thickness.

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these throwing bits of cars at you, and again your only hape of survival is to kill then before they knack you unconscious.

Apart from knocking the stuffing out of the gangsters you'll occasionally have to free the odd hostage. The trick here is to shoot the criminal and let the hostage run free. It's not too difficult and the cries of help bring yo to the rescue in double quick

RoboCop is on exhilorating gome. Toking all the most gome. Toking all the most playoble aspects out of the tilm and combining them who are hell of a shoot 'em up, it must be said that apart from the style of the characters, the games'ay is not original. Though the games' very similar to Dragan Ninia, it has its own flavour and will, no doubt, be a great success.



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Rastan Sana-clone and you've played them all.

A harsh ludgement, yes, does little to dispute this claim Lord of the Sword is the story of Landau, a young man on a quest to rid his land of the demans and evil creatures that have overrun it, and in the process become king. Armed with both sword and bow and arrow, he culs a suitably heroic dash but is perhaps one of the least charlsmattc heroes

That is what the whole gome locks: a sense of character, Landau's quest Involves finding a legendary free which is the destroying the statue of

Some of these monsters are gulte inventive, but with the bookdrops being moinly wooded creas, and the same beastles consistently cropping up, it variety to put it at the very peak of this sort of game. there are many better exomples of the genre about. It's okery both offack moves work well and collision

detection is line, and there is a lot of game la explore. but It loses out in an undistinguished plot, a lack of visual Imagination and variety

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Still, that hasn't stopped Sega producing this centres on moss genocide an obbaloir with an Operation Wallstyle game, up from all angles and are blasted with a well-almed shat at the light phases before they open lire it on enemy manages to shoot a couple at rounds put of the energy is lost, represented

Ammo is limited, and the shown next to the energy

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player can only fire very are particularly grim, either a grenade or rocket can be launched to kill everything on-screen.

It the player survives for a predetermined time energy and ammo remaining are converted even more soldiers and helicopters to contend with. The game continues

forces every level Rambo III Is on unashamed Operation Wolfrip-off, bullit's g good scralling with some very challenging and frenetic almost too hard, and II practice to get past the



second level - mind you. when you're shelling out this much money for a something that lasts more

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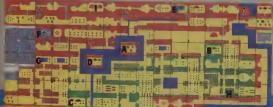
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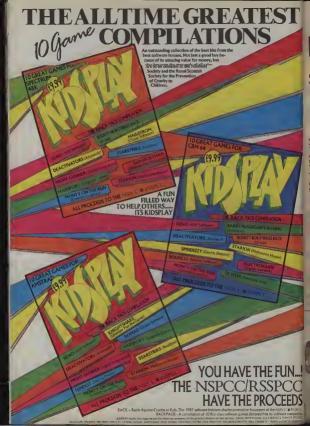


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